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LEADERS BACK TRUMAN'S OKAY FOR H-BOMB

President Says He Acted
To Bolster U. S. Defense;
Cole Protests Decision.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31 (AP)—Congressional leaders tonight swung quickly behind President Truman's fateful decision to speed development of the hydrogen "super-bomb."

But there were rumbles of protest, and Rep. Cole (R-NY), a member of the Senate-House Atomic Energy committee, angrily denounced Mr. Truman's go-ahead order as usurping the powers of Congress.

In general, the reaction on Capitol hill was favorable. Members of both Senate and House said they felt the President had no other choice in the cold war with Russia, but they said fervently they hoped it would never be necessary to use such a fearsome weapon.

In announcing his decision, Mr. Truman said he acted to bolster this country's defenses "against any possible aggressor."

He said the United States will drive ahead in the production of atomic weapons until international control is tightly safeguarded. A few hours after Mr. Truman's announcement, the Air Force moved to set up a strict aerial guard line around all the nation's major atomic plants.

AIMED AT guarding against surprise air attacks, the new defense setup will also take in a long stretch of the Atlantic coast, including major ports.

The defense department announced that all planes coming within 100 miles of atomic plants in Tennessee, New Mexico, and Washington state must file flight plans with Defense authorities.

The same rule applies to planes flying within 200 miles of the east coast from Norfolk, Va., to Maine. Fighter planes will be used to enforce the new regulations.

The department said the plan is "not related to any specific international development." However, it came less than 24 hours after Secretary of Defense Johnson warned that "an attack could come from the opposite hemisphere without warning and with unpredictable fury."

Chairman McMahon (D-Conn) of the Congressional Atomic committee immediately called for "the utmost speed" in developing H-bombs, and other Congress members joined in applauding the President's order.

BUT Rep. Cole challenged Mr. Truman's action on two grounds:

1. As a "usurpation of Congressional authority."
2. As being "contrary to the recommendations of the country's most competent authorities."

Cole did not name these "authorities," but said the time had come to halt "the mad race of modern science which may result in human extermination."

"Under our Constitution," Cole said, "a decision of this nature can not be made by the Commander-in-chief but only by the people through Congress which is charged with the maintenance of the military establishment."

State Recreation Meeting Set for Pottstown Feb. 15

One of a series of eight district recreation conferences, organized by the State Planning board and aimed at promoting a public recreation service for the entire Commonwealth, will be held in Pottstown Feb. 15, it was announced yesterday.

Kenneth W. Abell, recreation consultant of the State Planning board, said the eight districts have been set up by the State for organizational purposes.

"It is hoped that each county in the district will formulate its own recreational program," he added.

The meetings are planned to draw both professional recreation workers and laymen to discuss establishing and financing new local recreation facilities.

Meetings also will be held at Williamsport, Altoona, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Titusville, Wilkes-Barre and Emporium, Abell said.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy and some rain or snow likely today. Highest temperature in the 30s. Tomorrow, continued cold with rain or snow.

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High Antics Low
TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m.	33	4 p. m.	35
5 a. m.	33	5 p. m.	36
6 a. m.	34	6 p. m.	38
7 a. m.	35	7 p. m.	40
8 a. m.	31	8 p. m.	39
9 a. m.	32	9 p. m.	40
10 a. m.	33	10 p. m.	40
11 a. m.	33	11 p. m.	39
12 m.	34	12 p. m.	37
1 p. m.	34	1 p. m.	34
2 p. m.	34	2 a. m.	33
3 p. m.	34	3 a. m.	33

No office hours until Feb. 9, inclusive. Dr. Charles A. Baylor.

Reg. El Chico social game tonight. Penny social Sat. night. See page 6.

See Adv. on Page 2. Jefferson Food Market.

Rummage sale by Jewish Women's League, today, at YWCA.

Diamonds, Wedding Rings. Chas. Longacre, Jeweler, 17 N. Hanover.

Ducking Beneath an Icy But Beautiful Bower



Lucille Dittulo, 16, of 624 Chestnut street, knows how the ice cubes in refrigerators feel. Hemming her in is a tangle of ice-varnished brush coated by yesterday morning's freezing rain.

—Mercury Staff Photo

Prince Urges Lodges to Aid Youth as Orioles Honor 131

Joseph L. Prince, Pottstown attorney, called upon local fraternal organizations to sponsor a 'teen-age recreation program here, during a speech last night before 25-year members of Nest 150, Fraternal Order of Orioles.

Most of the 131 quarter-century members scheduled to receive life membership cards were on hand last night, as well as borough officials and other guests, at a dinner meeting in the Eagle's Home Association hall.

Prince began his talk with jokes, in the atmosphere of good fellowship and cigar smoke, and continued with a discussion of fraternalism before he reached the hub of his address.

"The lodges in town have done a good job," he said, "but they have only scratched the surface."

"The organizations in this town should get together in a program for 'teen-agers,' the attorney said. "I think the people of Pottstown would certainly appreciate any move you made in that direction."

HE STRESSED that recreation and competition programs for youngsters would help both them and the community.

"We have a splendid opportunity in front of us," Prince said.

He pointed out that the cost of keeping a prisoner in jail is

\$1.78 a day, paid by the taxpayers, and that half that amount could pay for an extensive program for 'teen-agers.'

Discussing fraternalism, Prince declared, "It is a symbol of fraternalism that we are our brother's keeper. Fraternalism is the great bulwark against anything that tends to subjugate man and make him a tool of government."

But even with the large number of rainy days, less than normal rain fell. The total was 2.86 inches as compared to the average of 3.45 inches.

The biggest volume of rain for a single day fell yesterday. It measured .67 inches.

AS A PARADOXICAL kiss-off for the warm month, much of yesterday's rain froze as it hit, shattering everything except roads and sidewalks with a sheen of ice.

Almost all highways in the

PRINCE TOOK the opportunity to warn club members against actions that could result in their losing the liquor license.

Any member who violates the liquor board rules is dangerous, Prince said.

"I don't intend to preach to

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Getting in Voice for Audition



—Mercury Staff Photo

George Polins, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Polins Sr., Grosstown road, practices in preparation for competing in nationwide-auditions for a year's scholarship to the famous Apollo Choir school, Dallas, Tex. The youngster will be vying for a chance to make a coast-to-coast tour with the school's outstanding boys' choir.

SCHOLARSHIP IS GOAL

Lad to Sing for Spot In Famed Boys' Choir

A talented 12-year-old Stowe boy yesterday applied for a chance to compete for a year's scholarship to the Apollo Choir school, Dallas, Tex., and a nationwide tour with the famous Apollo Boys' choir.

He is George Polins, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Polins, Grosstown road, who has sung during the past two summers at the Steel Pier, Atlantic City, N. J.

An "A" student in the eighth grade of West Pottsgrove school, young Polins meets every requirement for the scholarship auditions. He has been on the honor roll of the school since he first started classes, Mrs. Polins said last night.

The youngster has been taking voice lessons for the past two years. He was a soloist for the Pottstown band at Hershey and appeared as a guest artist at the international convention of Kiwanis clubs held at Reading.

IN ADDITION, HE is soloist in the choir at St. John's Catholic church of the Greek rite. He sang as soloist in church choirs in Bethlehem, Scranton, and Pittsburgh.

Three scholarships to the Apollo Choir school are offered by its director, Coleman Cooper. A \$900 full year award will be given to the boy placing first in the auditions, while two half-

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Stack Drops Through Roof Of Factory, Injures Worker

January Gets 'Oscar' for Its Hot Weather

The past month was the hottest January Pottstown has seen in the 57 years the area weather bureau at Reading has kept temperature charts.

The average temperature here was 43.7 degrees. The former record for the month, 43.0 degrees, was set in 1932.

Contributing to the new record were six records for individual days during the month, established on the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 10th and 26th.

On the 26th a high of 72 degrees not only broke the old mark for the day but set a new top temperature for any day in January. The old record was 71 degrees. On eight days the mercury hit the 60s.

During the month, 310 degrees in excess of the normal were piled up—or, each day averaged ten degrees over the average.

The low temperature was 18 degrees, on the 20th, which is hardly enough to make a motorist put anti-freeze in his car.

THE MONTH WAS extraordinary in more ways than temperature.

For instance, there was no snow, except for a brief trace on the 7th. That in itself may be a record but it could not be checked.

Likewise, there were 18 days when a trace or more of rain fell, considerably outdistancing the normal of eight clear, nine partly cloudy and 14 cloudy days for the month.

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TOPPLING PIPE BARELY MISSES 2 OTHER MEN

C. F. Stead, 60, Employee
Of March-Brownback, Is
Critically Hurt in Collapse

A 60-year-old Pottstown RD 1 man was injured critically when part of a big furnace stack plunged through the roof of March-Brownback company's moulding room near South Charlotte street yesterday afternoon.

The three borough fire companies were called to the scene at 3:39 o'clock, but an alert cupola tender—one of two other men who missed death by a few feet—prevented damage by fire.

The toppling stack, about 20 feet high and four feet in diameter, of steel lined with bricks, tore a huge hole in the wooden roof of the sprawling old plant.

Thick wooden beams, shingles, water pipes, heat pipes, electric wires and the sprinkling system all were broken by the stack.

Plant officials estimated it might take a week to get the moulding room back in working order.

THE INJURED man was Charles Franklin Stead, Kulp road, Pottstown RD 1, engineer at the foundry. He was in "critical" condition in a Pottstown hospital oxygen tent last night.

Because he was in deep shock, physicians were unable to tell the exact extent of injuries to his head and chest. When he was brought from the plant by Good Will ambulance, he was bleeding profusely from head gashes.

The big stack was used to carry away the intensely hot smokes and gases from the brick cupola on the ground floor. The cupola is used to melt the gray iron used in the castings.

Stead was working with a pile of sand near the door of the cupola. A few feet to his left stood Peter Endy, cupola tender who rooms at Stead's farmhouse. A few feet in front of Stead was John Perry, Hotel James, a general laborer.

THE CUPOLA tender said, "First I heard a crack overhead. Then a second crack. Then down it came."

As he scrambled through the dust flying from the breaking rafters, Endy remembered the fire in the cupola.

He ducked his way over castings and debris and shut off the blower on the cupola before the heat from its furnace ignited the chimney-less roof.

Both Endy and the injured man had been standing several feet from the exact point where the stack landed, causing fellow-workmen to

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Fires at Hill School 'Definitely Arson,' Is Investigator's Report

The inquiry into suspected arson in recent fires at The Hill school should end today, it was disclosed last night.

State Police Sgt. Charles W. Taylor, Philadelphia, chief investigator, said the questioning probably would end tonight. Talks yesterday and Monday with many students have narrowed the field of suspects, he said.

"It was definitely an inside job," said Taylor, referring to the \$20,000 fire in Memorial hall Jan. 12 and smaller fires there the past Friday and Saturday.

The past five fires at The Hill large and small, probably have been set by the same boy or group of boys, he said. Possibly, he added, the blaze the past Feb. 7 and 8 which demolished a century-old stable was set by the same person or persons.

"We've been talking to quite a few boys at the school but so far we have nothing definite to report," Taylor said.

With him in the investigation is Borough Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer and Robert Knight, Harrisburg, of the National Fire Underwriters' board. Dr. James I. Wendell, headmaster of the school, and A. Pierce Saunders, assistant headmaster, are co-operating in the probe.

ALTHOUGH, THERE were several dozen more students using the cafeteria yesterday than had done so Monday, but despite this, there was less crowding.

"I think it's been pretty orderly," Cressman commented as it neared 12 o'clock. He agreed that the fact there had been less bunching of arrivals at 11:40 o'clock had eased the situation.

While Cressman was pleased with yesterday's results, he indicated that he didn't think the program had yet reached the crest.

"We're just getting organized," he declared.

DAVENPORT SAID he would help in this organizing by contributing.

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DOLLAR DAY STAKES

Shoppers to Get 500 Lucky Bucks

Five hundred "Lucky Bucks" will be won Friday and Saturday by shoppers who take advantage of Dollar Day specials at any of 44 participating Pottstown stores.

Merchants are preparing to handle record crowds during these two days, since the idea proved highly successful the past year when there were only 85 Lucky Bucks circulating.

To win one or more of the Lucky Bucks, all shoppers have to do is compare the serial numbers of the \$1 bills they will get as change for Dollar Day purchases with the list of serial numbers to be published in The Mercury.

If the serial number on your dollar is the same as one of the numbers on the published list, then it's "Bingo!"

After you've found you've hit the jackpot, bring the Lucky Buck to The Mercury office. You'll surrender the Lucky Buck, so that it won't be in circulation for a while, but you'll get two \$1 bills in exchange.

Or if you want, hang on to the Lucky Buck for a while and hope it's what you need to win some more. There's nothing but the law of averages to stop you from winning all \$500.

ON FRIDAY MORNING, an easy-to-read list of the first 250 lucky serial numbers will be published. On Saturday morning, the second 250 numbers will appear.

Clip out these lists and take them with you when you go hunting Dollar Day bargains. One look may be worth one dollar.

The Mercury office will close at noon Saturday, but all Lucky Bucks passed out by store clerks from then until the 5:30 p. m. closing time will be as good as gold. Simply keep them until redeeming time resumes at The Mercury Monday morning.

The past year, 19 shoppers were handed Lucky Bucks by clerks but failed to realize their good fortune. As a result \$19 went begging. Don't throw good money away. Look for the Lucky Bucks.

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More Pupils Buy Subsidy Lunches

The program of providing subsidized hot platters in Pottstown High school's cafeteria leaped forward yesterday to end its first week with ten times as many students taking advantage of it as did at the start.

And Stanley I. Davenport, the school's vice principal, said he would encourage a voluntary campaign to have students spread out their arrival time in the cafeteria—which could make it possible for the program to forge ahead even further.

W. O. Cressman, director of the vocational school and informal director of the cafeteria, continued his steady promoting of the bargain platter during the lunch hour yesterday. When it was over, he reported that 61 boys and girls had bought the nourishing, hot meal for 25 cents.

The 9-cent saving on the platters—which yesterday included a big piece of meat loaf, gravy, parsleyed boiled potatoes, jello, prunes, and milk—obviously was attracting students who were strange to the idea of a full cafeteria meal.

This was clear from the fact that several students did not know where to put their trays after they had finished, and had to be shown by regular cafeteria patrons.

Schneider disclosed that he would probably go to Philadelphia today to work out the details for a final agreement.

The settlement of the strike came after two of the alleys' owners, Leon and Reuben Cardonick, both of Philadelphia, traveled to Pottstown last night to negotiate with Schneider and Frank Kelley, Philadelphia representative of the UMW.

Both men claimed they had no knowledge of the strike or it would have been settled sooner, Kelley remarked.

BEFORE THE arrival of the Cardonick brothers, however, the striking pinboys, ten regulars and one spare boy, had renewed their picket line in front of the alleys from 6:15 until 7 o'clock last night. The line was effective in cancelling the scheduled matches of both the church and independent bowling leagues.

Members of the independent league, mostly union workers from the Spicer, Firestone and Doehler plants, refused to cross the line and were joined by the

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Beer Glass Gashes Man's Face, Ear

A beer glass which traveled further than from the bar to his lips sent John Olash, 461 North Franklin street, to the Pottstown hospital last night for treatment of lacerations of the nose, lip and ear.

Bleeding profusely from his cuts, Olash was picked up by William Tosto, Good Will ambulance driver, at the Reading company station at 11 o'clock.

At the same time, Motor Patrolman Thomas A. Lawler and Patrolman Joseph Thews were on their way to the Club 100, a South Handover street taproom, to stop a fight. They were summoned by Patrolman Robert Scheldt who noticed the disturbance when he was going off duty.

The two policemen, unable to find any disturbance when they arrived, reported to borough hall in time to be sent to the Pottstown hospital dispensary where Olash was being treated. He told them he was struck with a beer glass in the bar by an unidentified man.

Police, who said the tavern was owned by James Machain, did not know the cause of the altercation. They said Olash would have to swear out a warrant for his assailant's arrest.

Reg. El Chico social game tonight. Penny social Sat. night. See page 6.

4-H Roast Beef supper, Hendrick's Men. Bldg., Collegeville, Sat., 4-8-30.

See Adv. on Page 2. Jefferson Food Market.

Soup and bake sale at Trinity Reformed Ch., Wed., Feb. 1, 11 a. m.

Courteous income tax service. Walter E. Dames Co., Inc., 318 High.

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AFL Leaders Say Private Builders Fail To Lick Housing Shortage for U. S. Workers

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 31 (AP)—Leaders of the American Federation of Labor said today private builders are failing to "lick the housing shortage" and the government should step in with a middle-income aid plan.

The AFL's executive council endorsed bills in Congress to spur low-cost co-operative housing and called for continued rent controls until the shortage is over.

"Clearly, the housing needs of American workers are not being met," the council's statement said.

It said housing production, while reaching a record of 1,019,000 units in 1949, still is behind production increases in automobiles and other

THOUSANDS SAY CERTA-VIN WORKS INCHES OF BLOAT OUT OF UPSET STOMACHS

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At the present time the sale of Certa-Vin, here in the City of Pottstown and general section, stands at the highest point in ITS HISTORY! Leading druggists are amazed at this immense demand and say that nothing like it has ever been seen here before. However, this great sale is all due to one thing, that is, the astounding action of this remarkable medicine upon the stomach. It is the great relief it brings which causes crowds to flock in for Certa-Vin wherever it is introduced.

AWFUL BLOATING

For instance, consider the amazing action of Certa-Vin in cases of gassy stomach. This is a condition that afflicts thousands. And it is a horrible condition, as any of its poor victims will tell you. Many people are so bad off they can't go to the finest restaurant and eat a meal—can't even eat the most wholesome of home-cooked food!—without being in misery afterward. They bloat and swell until they can hardly breathe. Heart palpitates wildly from gas pressure. They belch up a horrible sour substance, known as "water brash." Sometimes this terrible "water brash" rises into throat and mouth like a regular fountain. So bitter it almost causes STRANGULATION. Awful gas pains come in stomach and chest. The abdomen sometimes feels sore CONSTANTLY from continual gas and bloat pressure. And all night long this misery continues, so sleep is next to impossible. Some poor sufferers feel like they are about to smother every time they lie down in bed to try to sleep. They have to rise up to get their breath back. Others have such awful gas pains in chest they can't lie on EITHER SIDE. So all night long they suffer.

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Truthfully it can be said, as it has been said so often: "No greater misery hath any man than he with an upset stomach!" And that is why so many people are praising CERTA-VIN. This "Amazing New Medicine" is helping thousands of sufferers such as we have described above. It helps work that awful gas and bloat

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out of you, reducing your gas-swollen waistline—often by inches!—in a few days' time! (Read actual statements accompanying this announcement.) Then your awful gas pains, breathless smothering, wild heart palpitation from gas are relieved. You can sleep! You can eat! You can begin to feel like SOME OTHER PERSON!

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presidential campaign. He was one of the few AFL leaders to do so.

The AFL council had two visitors in its closed-door sessions, William Thorpe, assistant secretary of state for economic affairs, and Herman T. Stichman, New York state housing commissioner.

STICHMAN TOUCHED off the council's discussion of the housing problem. He said that under Governor Dewey, New York has pioneered in making low-cost housing available to veterans and moderate-income groups.

However, Stichman was critical of Democratic bills in Congress for privately-financed dwellings at low interest rates, saying "the Federal program seems designed to help the builder primarily—the Federal bills have no effective provisions for limiting costs."

The AFL council seemed to think better of the Federal bills—because its statement said they "offer a practical means of obtaining decent homes for thousands of middle-income families at prices they can afford to pay."

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Auto Safety Law Becomes Effective In State Today

HARRISBURG, Jan. 31 (AP)—Pennsylvania's new automobile safety responsibility law goes into effect tomorrow with more than 1,600,000 uncovered by liability insurance.

Designed to curb drivers who can't pay accident claims against them, the law is expected to put fully 45 percent of state's 3,600,000 license holders on the alert.

Mortorists after today, involved in accidents and not able to guarantee payment for damage caused will face suspension of their license.

The law requires that every accident causing death, personal injury, or more than \$100 in property damage must be reported within 24 hours to the state revenue department. The present figure is \$50.

A motorist can save himself from suspension of his operator's license or registration privileges only if he carries liability insurance—at least \$100 for property damage, \$5000 for possible injuries to one person and \$10,000 for injuries to two or more persons.

The law is expected to have two outstanding effects—(1) lessen hazards on the highways and (2) boom insurance sales.

Gov. James H. Duff said that the new law is one pillar on which the state is resting its hope of reducing automobile casualties by 25 percent during 1950.

"The law will be enforced promptly and firmly," said the governor.

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'Peace League'



The Aga Khan (above) yesterday called on all peace-loving nations in the world to form a "peace league" under U. S. leadership to resist aggression. The Ismaili Moslems leader made the statement in New Delhi, India.

adding that acting secretary of revenue, Otto F. Messner already has the machinery set up to accomplish that purpose.

Grangers to Honor Washington and Lincoln

A program honoring Washington and Lincoln will be held by Sana-toga Grange members at 8 o'clock tonight.

Marcus Barrett will lead a patriotic musical quiz.

Other parts of the program will include group singing of patriotic selections, and poems and recitations featuring Presidents Washington and Lincoln.

SPUDS SOUGHT FOR MINERS

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 31 (AP)—Allegheny County commissioners today declared a "dire emergency exists" among striking coal miners and appealed for an allotment of Government surplus potatoes.

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Wooden Water Mains Good After 150 Years

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 31 (AP)—The last of Philadelphia's wooden water mains have been dug up and the large timbers from which they were hewed are solid and unharmed by the passage of nearly 150 years.

The water mains, made from oak or hemlock logs, were removed as the city pushed a project to widen Vine street, one of Philadelphia's mid-city thoroughfares.

Elbert J. Taylor, chief of the

Philadelphia Bureau of Waters, said the wooden mains actually have not been used since at least 1854, but have remained in the ground parallel to the cast iron pipes that replaced them.

FORMER EDITOR DIES
TULSA, Okla., Jan. 31 (AP)—James McIntyre, 77, one-time editor of the Oil and Gas Journal, died at his home here today after a long illness.

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Barlo Fire Company Installs Officers, Enrolls Members

Installation of officers for 1950 last night marked a meeting of the Barlo Fire company held at the Barlo hotel.

President Ralph Gehman, who was re-elected, was installed in office with James Brown, first vice president; Sterling Fronheiser, second vice president; Thomas Forsythe, recording secretary; Roger Hoffman, financial secretary; and Calvin Brown, treasurer.

Joseph Walters, Irvin Mohr and Charles Kemp were seated as trustees.

Porsythe, who is chairman of the company's fire extinguisher drive, reported that 150 carbon dioxide extinguishers had been sold to families throughout Washington township. The extinguishers are being used in homes, garages and barns.

A percentage of the money from the extinguishers is used for the fire company's building fund. Three new members also were admitted to the group at last night's session.

Truman Asks Miners To Resume Digging

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31 (AP)—President Truman stepped around the Taft-Hartley act today with an appeal to miners to resume soft coal digging next Monday for 70 days and submit their case to a presidential board.

He made the fact-finding proposal also to spokesmen for the nation's coal operators.

Asking both sides to let him know their answer by 5 p. m., Saturday, the President made his telegram sound much like an ultimatum.

He did not mention the Taft-Hartley law and its provision for injunctions in cases of national emergency. In fact his language skirted carefully around the question of the existence of an emergency—a thing that he had denied existed up to this point.

But he did urge John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers chief, and the operator spokesmen to accept his proposal "in the national interest."

1500 Rotarians to Attend Hodgson Dinner Tonight

Pottstown Rotarians will be among 1500 to attend a dinner tonight in Sunnyside ballroom for International Rotary President Percy Hodgson, of Pawtucket, R. I., beginning at 7 o'clock.

The Pottstown and Quakertown Rotary clubs will be hosts for members of the 265th District. Charles E. Dearnley, of Philadelphia, district governor, will be in charge. Assisting him will be Paul H. Grim, president of the Pottstown Rotary club, and George A. Stetman 3d, head of the Quakertown group.

PUBLISHER WEDS
HILLSBOROUGH, Calif., Jan. 31 (AP)—Edward W. Scripps, 40, of Seattle, publisher of the Scripps league of newspapers, and Mrs. Betty Jeanne McDonnell, 24, were married today.

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ORIOLES' DINNER —

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you," he declared, "but I want you to know the cold facts and to conduct yourselves accordingly."

He also warned that clubs must appeal to young blood, to keep the organizations functioning, and finally, that the reserves built up in the prosperous years must be handled wisely, to prevent bankruptcy during future lean years.

PRINCE'S TALK preceded the final item on the program, the giving of life membership cards to the 131 members who had belonged to the local Orioles during the quarter century of its existence.

Before he spoke, Earl B. Bechtel, toastmaster, praised the Orioles lavishly.

"You fellows in the Orioles have played a great part in the community. You have done more good than any other organization."

He warned that hotel and tap-room owners' groups were working against the clubs. "We must conduct ourselves properly, police ourselves so that others don't have to police us."

And he introduced with equal praise and fervor, borough officials and Orioles' Nest and Home association officers.

Borough officials presented to the group included Burgess William A. Griffith, who said, "Your organization has done a vast amount of good," and Police Chief James A. Laughhead and Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer.

Pottstown fraternalist Daniel S. Drumheller was introduced and applauded, as were Lester Dehaven, Reading, supreme president, and James L. Mannion, Norristown, supreme secretary.

GEORGE M. GROSS, president of the Pottstown Orioles Home association, praised the 25-year members, and introduced Toastmaster Bechtel. Twenty-five year members honored were:

Ralph DeWitt, George M. Gross, Samuel A. Hanley, Ammon Heydt, Frank Krause, J. C. Lessig Jr., Frank Nimmerichter, Josiah Slonaker, Charles E. Schock, B. Frank Yergey.

Also, Augustus Baker, Joseph C. Baker, Lewis Becker, Joseph A. Bechtel, Harvey Bechtel, Calvin M. Bell, Harry N. Benfield, Harry J. Barnhart, Irvin Betz, Benjamin Boalton, Warren K. Bolton, Henry F. Brille, H. L. Brown.

Also, Charles N. Brunner, Gerald H. Burdan, John H. Burdan, Lester L. Burdan, William E. Davidheiser, Harry Davis, W. Linwood Davis, John Y. Dengler, William H. Dettra, Gordon Dilliplane, William F. Dochney Sr., Charles Doneberger, Walter Drumheller.

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Also, William I. Miller, Earl Missimer, Charles E. Mock, Harry Nankervis, John D. Newman, Edwin S. Orr, Irvin Peiffer, John J. Powell, George D. Rebert, Eugene D. Redcay, Norman B. Rhoads, Earl C. Russell, Oswin Samsel, M. Oscar Schrack, George J. Schaeffer, W. B. Scholl, Lee Schurr.

Also, Leonard M. Seasholtz, Howard D. Shatz, Earl Slonaker, William K. Slonaker, Clarence E. Smith, Luther F. Smith, George W. Spare, John M. Stuart, Samuel Stuart, J. Malcolm Summons, Earl F. Thomas, John W. Thomas, Al J. Tighe.

Also, Wayne Trollinger, Charles W. Tyson, James S. Van Horn, Grant Warner, John M. Weand, Earl E. Wentzel, Allen L. Wick, David A. Yergey, Ralph D. Yergey, Charles W. Yergey, Clifton F. Yergey, Israel D. Yingst and Miles R. Zollers.

Truck Loosens Wire Cutting Service to Home

Electric service in the home of Paul C. Vanderslice, 119 North Franklin street, was disrupted at 5:05 o'clock yesterday afternoon when a passing truck brushed against the pole and knocked the service wire loose.

Witnesses said the truck, a heavy moving van, continued south on Franklin street after grazing the power pole.

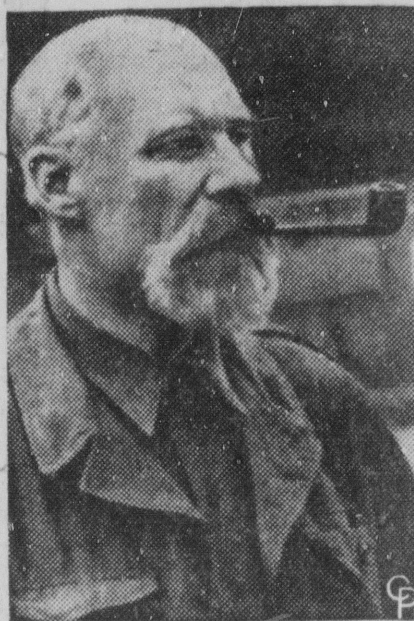
A Philadelphia Electric company crew was sent to the scene to replace the wire and restore service to Vanderslice's home.

Company officials said no other residences were affected.

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Fire Sweeps Buildings In Downtown Oil City

OIL CITY, Jan. 31 (AP)—Fire raged through three buildings in the heart of downtown Oil City tonight, sending flames high into the air that were visible for miles.

The blaze virtually destroyed a two-story frame restaurant building, a three-story brick apartment house and a two-story frame grocery warehouse.

Some 50 persons who lived in the apartment building fled to safety.

Bank Robbed of \$5000; Pair Caught Hour Later

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 31 (AP)—A South Bend bank was robbed of \$5000 plus today and two men arrested at Michigan City an hour later were returned here in time to enter guilty pleas before court adjourned.

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HICCUP REMEDY —

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crackers fine. Put the grated crackers in a frying pan over a slow fire and stir 'til good and brown.

Take off the fire and add a small amount of cinnamon. Shake well a small lump of lime and add one or two tablespoonfuls of lime water to the crackers.

Last night, Hoffer recalled that the recipe "did the trick."

His hiccups, he said, came from a case of acute appendicitis which was reduced by the use of ice packs. Apparently, the gas generated by the infected organ built up inside him until he began hiccuping.

"I hiccuped continuously for eight days and nights," Hoffer declared, "and there was nothing they could do about it. I tried everything, and I guess I got hundreds of recipes to try."

Finally, Hoffer went on to say, his step-uncle, Charles Kirby, Kentworth, came up with the cure.

"I was near death," Hoffer continued. "In fact, I had already received the last rites of the church before I tried the lime water and crackers. The hiccups stopped almost at once."

"I guess that—plus some prayers—did it."

Hoffer, who is 40 years old now, was 19 at the time he suffered his attack. He weighed 175 or 180 pounds when the hiccuping began, and only 105 pounds when it ended eight days later.

The appendix which caused the whole thing was removed two years later, he remarked.

Three years after his nephew suffered his attack, Kirby sent the recipe to a Mansfield, Ohio, man who was a victim of hiccups.

He was unable to recall last night whether or not he received an answer from the Ohio sufferer, or whether the cure was successful in his case.

"We just thought it was our duty to try to help him," Kirby said, "so I sent the recipe out to him."

STACK TOPPLES —

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believe that he had been hit directly by breaking beams or pipes rather than hit a glancing blow by the stack itself.

Perry had been standing almost exactly where the stack was to land. After he heard the crack, he said, "I looked up. Then there was a noise like an explosion. Then there wasn't anything but dust and noise."

WHEN HE FIRST saw the roof going, Perry said, he drove away from the wall. Through the blinding dust, he saw Stead's figure standing up. "I made a grab for him, but I couldn't hold him," Perry said. "But as soon as I had crawled out over the castings, I called out to the others that somebody was still back there."

Among those of the 20 workers in the foundry room close enough to help remove Stead from the spot where he lay, close by the stack, were William Schaeffer, Boyertown RD 1; Eugene Reigner, New Berlinville; Charles Schneck, Rebersburg, Berks county, and Paul Wentzel, Lebanon RD 1.

Meanwhile, another worker, William M. Pursel, 310 South Main street, Spring City, realized that heat from the cupola might ignite the roof. He put in the fire alarm. Although both Endy and Perry, the two men next to Stead, had

to scramble 20 feet or more through flying rafters and shingles, neither suffered anything worse than frayed nerves.

Samuel Upright, of Lorane, near Douglassville, had a minor cut of the arm, workmen reported.

WILLIAM LAYTHAM, Gilbertsville, general manager, said he believed the stack may have toppled after some sort of an explosion in the cupola.

Other workmen said there also was a possibility that rivets on the stack had been weakened by intense heat and the steady vibration of an air compressor at the rear of the plant.

The entire top 20 feet of the stack toppled over, but then this piece was broken in two. Half of the huge cylinder rested precariously on the edge of the gaping hole in the roof. The other half dropped about 22 feet to the moulding room floor.

If the stack had fallen in the opposite direction, it would have plunged through the roof directly over the place where a dozen or more workmen were lining up before a spout projecting from the

bottom of the cupola. They were awaiting their turns to full crucibles with molten iron used in the sand mouldings.

Borough Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer stayed on the scene until he was sure the cupola fire had been damped below the danger point.

Firemen who entered the big moulding room had to slosh through water from the broken pipes.

After William Tosto, Good Will ambulance driver, had taken Stead to the hospital, physicians and nurses worked over him for a full hour in the dispensary, treating his injuries and administering plasma, before he could be placed in the oxygen tent.



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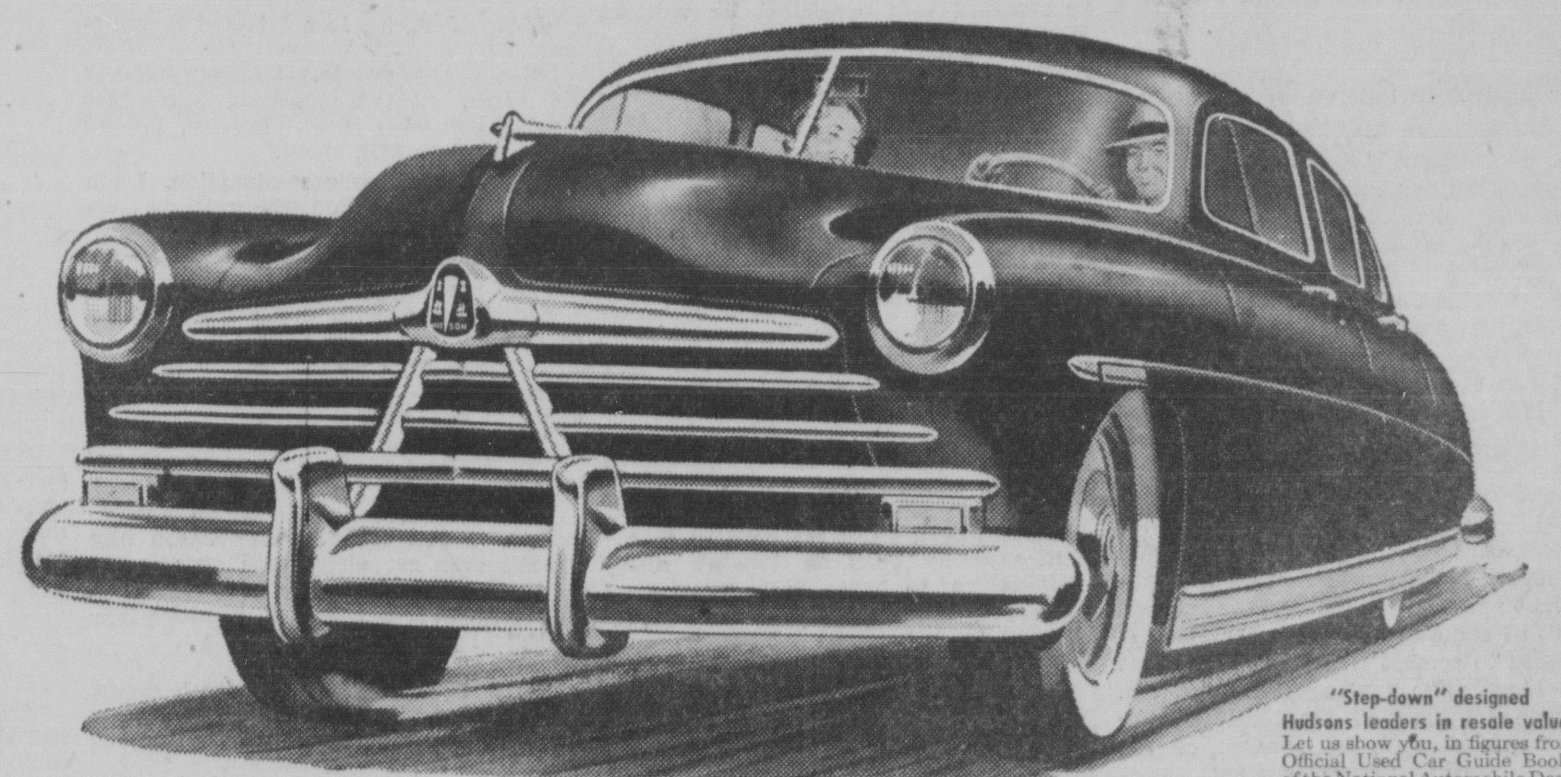
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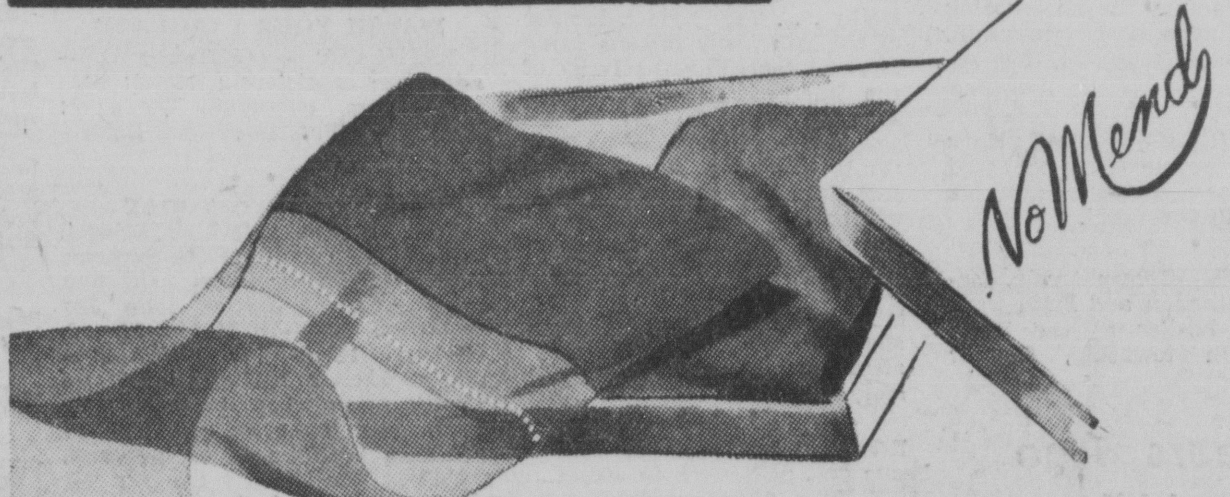
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Affection lights a candle to our
defects, and though it may gratify
ourselves, it disgusts all others.—
John C. Lavater.

Just Politics

POLITICAL tactics which will be followed by
the major parties were described by the
New York Times in the following words:

"The Administration's strategy probably
will be along these lines: Push forward
the Fair Deal here and there. Keep alive
the big issues of Taft-Hartley, civil rights
and others, and blame Republican 'ob-
structionism' for lack of action on them.
Make the most of those issues in the
November elections.

"The opposition strategy will be less
unified but generally along these lines:
Fight hard for cuts in the budget and for
lower taxes, and in this way bring pres-
sure against a wide range of Truman pro-
posals that involve expense. . . . Counter-
attack day by day and watch for Ad-
ministration openings and mistakes that
can be exploited."

The Times also forecast which proposed
major measures are likely to pass and which
won't. It thinks the odds are in favor of
expanded social security, aid to education,
ERP, and military assistance to Western
countries.

The odds are against health insurance,
civil rights legislation, the Columbia Valley
Authority, the St. Lawrence Seaway, Taft-
Hartley repeal, tax increases, and the Bran-
nan farm plan.

It observed, "The legislation accomplish-
ments of the new session probably will be
small. Instead, the floors of Congress will
serve as a forum for political appeals by both
sides, leading to election day, Tuesday, No-
vember 7."

It has been a long time since any Congress
was so divided as this one, and had so many
intensely controversial issues to wrangle about.

In the early days of Franklin Roosevelt's
New Deal a vast mass of unprecedented and
experimental legislation went through with
hardly a tremor. But in those days the
country was in a great depression, Congress
was confused and uncertain, and sentiment
was in favor of trying almost anything.

It wasn't until his second term that Mr.
Roosevelt met effective and constant oppo-
sition. When the war came along, of course,
domestic issues virtually disappeared. Even
Mr. Roosevelt paid less and less attention
to them, and immersed himself almost com-
pletely in the war effort.

Mr. Truman, on the other hand, is pro-
posing his own particular legislative revolu-
tion at a time when the national income is
enormous, production is at near-record levels
and the country is at least superficially pros-
perous. The ever-increasing budgets have
Congress honestly worried at last. Moreover,
fear of the welfare state is not confined to
Republican ranks — many Democrats are
troubled too.

The cards say that this year Mr. Truman
will get only a small portion of what he
wants. The elections of next November will
do much to determine what he will eventually
get.

Upset Emotions Cause Weariness

UPSET emotions are now believed to be the
cause of prolonged and continuous fatigue.
Medical authorities have been gathering in-
formation that proves the importance of emo-
tions in cases of chronic fatigue, said a recent
Coronet article.

Dr. Harley C. Shands of Massachusetts
General Hospital found that one patient, who
had been having trouble with his wife, al-
ways felt terribly tired as soon as he walked
into his home. Another man felt fatigued
whenever he entered his office, where he had
been squabbling with his partners. Neither
patient had ever suspected there might be a
connection between his symptoms and his
upset emotions.

Normally, fatigue is nature's way of warn-
ing you that muscles and tissues have reached
their limit of endurance. A new oxygen sup-
ply is needed to combat chemical poisons that
flood the blood after hard muscular exertion.
But, if you feel tired all the time, whether
you exercise or sit still, your outlook on life
may be the source of your constant weariness.

People who cannot make up their minds
are often victims of chronic fatigue. Loneso-
ness, too, may make you tired.

The only way to cure fatigue is to find the
factors that cause it. Perhaps your only
trouble is that you hurry too much, or worry
too much, or are troubled by false fears. Once
you discover what is making you tired, you
may find that you are just not tired any
more.

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS,
January 31.
Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother;

Wal, I see by The Mercury where some
Pottstown pin boys have gone on strike at a
bowling alley where they
were laid off. This is no
case of juvenile delin-
quency, but their elders are
keeping them out of the
alleys!

A newspaper item says
scientists have made a hot
discovery—that turtles are
not color blind. Could be!
I never even saw one try-
ing to crash a traffic light!

And say, in Washing-
ton, they're passing a law giving women equal
rights. Some women rights are better than
men's. Their lefts, too!

Hopin' you air the same.
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY:

Reader Calls for Clean-Up of News Stand 'Trash'

Says It Breeds Immorality

To the Editor: A lot of effort is being
spent in getting rid of the slums in Cot-
tage and Hemlock rows so that new homes
can be built. Sure, this will help clean
up Pottstown.

I think a good spot to start cleaning
up is the corner drug stores and news
stands. If you've ever bothered to notice
the trashy magazines, particularly the
pocket-size "novels" sold in public places,
even possibly to your own kids (which
every American should make it his duty
to notice), you can readily see what
breeds loose morals and sex crimes.

It is not as important to see that the
criminal is severely punished after the
crime as it is to prevent the would-be
criminal from committing the crime. This
will be done effectively if we abolish
immoral literature from our news stands.

Maybe Pottstown doesn't have too
many sex crimes, but some of the younger
generation's morals aren't so hot. They
can learn as much as they want by visit-
ing a news stand and that is probably
where many of them pick up their knowl-
edge.

I know most people don't want to be
seen paging through this sort of stuff,
but take a look at some of the trash on
the news stands and you'll know what I
mean.

Pottstown

F. S.

'How About the Park?'

To the Editor: The suggestion made
by E. R. ("North Enders Could Help,"
Readers Say, Jan. 30) in Monday's Read-
ers Say column cagily goes around the

point made earlier by Mrs. F. B. W. in
asking for a combination park and play-
ground.

Sure, it wouldn't be too difficult for
the people in this section of town to buy
playground equipment if they had the
land on which to put it.

That would be a playground only—
and in its crudest form.

But how about the park? Maybe
parks are considered luxuries in these
days when "the borough doesn't seem to
have much money," but the day will come
when this town will have grown up.

Ideas in recreation here will change
and citizens will be crying for tree-filled
parks with places to swim.

By that time, the entire North End
will have been built up and park space
won't be available at any price.

I don't think the borough would have
to lay out a lot of money for land on
which to develop a park. It might buy
parcels from several owners, using the
perfectly logical argument that the value
of the surrounding property will go up in
the bargain. For who wouldn't want to
have a piece of property across from a
park?

The borough has sources of money it
could tap if it wasn't so concerned about
political backfires. What is needed is
more good business judgment.

Pottstown

MRS. W. C. F.

Dispute Among Themselves

To the Editor: It appeared out of or-
der that Burgess Griffith should make
the pin boys who walked out of the Ar-
row alleys come to borough hall for a
hearing.

Pottstown

MRS. W. C. F.

If the boys had a reasonable argument
with the owner of the alleys, it should
have been settled without interference
from any public official.

Boys who have been hired to do a job
should be given the privilege of working
out their labor problems with their em-
ployer, the same as adults.

Pottstown

E. M.

Convinced of Cafeteria Need

To the Editor: Up to now I haven't
been entirely convinced, but when I saw
those pictures in Tuesday's Mercury
showing the high school students jam-
med into the cafeteria I became a 100
percent supporter in your efforts to get
a new cafeteria at the school.

High school students are just as sen-
sible as anyone else. They like good,
warm food, but almost as necessary is
a place that is light, airy and not crowded
in which to eat.

I can't put into words my surprise that
in this day and age a school would be so
inadequate as to force students to jam
up to tables like hogs lined up at a trough.

Pottstown RD 4

STUDENT'S MOTHER

Debate Health Insurance

To the Editor: How about a Town
Hall debate on Federal health insurance?
Pottstown doctors have found them-
selves qualified to discuss the subject be-
fore various organizations. It would be
interesting to hear one of them debate
the subject, preferably against a well-
qualified layman.

Pottstown

T. R. C.

FIRST THE A-BOMB, NOW —



Hollywood

By EDITH GWYN

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 31 — Wen-
dell Corey will be the romantic lead
opposite Lana Turner in "A Life of
Her Own." Starts this week.
Lucky Lana — and Praise be!

We're still giggling
from first-hand
reports on the ex-
act "situation" of
L'Horizon, the
beautiful mansion
belonging to the
Kahn's — and
where Rita and
Aly were wed.
Chum of ours, who
has spent much
time there, is well
aware (as we all
are) that the place
overlooks the
lovely Mediterranean
sea, but the rest
of the view-tee, heel! Just a few
feet away from the rear of the
palace runs the railroad track! And
every time a train goes by, which is
quite, quite regularly — one feels
like it was tearing right through the
living rooms of bedrooms: Some-
thing like that side-splitting scene
in "Letter to Three Wives." (Re-
member? But in the movie their
troubles came from being on the
wrong side of the tracks! We also
understand that the Riviera man-
sion for which the Jack Warners re-
sented paid \$150,000 was selling for
around \$50,000 until the Pilmogul
wanted it. "They always seem to see
US Americans coming — huh?"

WHAT'S HAPPENING as we write
this we dunno, but we DO know
that while three national air com-
mentators were telling millions that
Frank Sinatra had "left home" the
other night, Frankie was still at the
family hearth! He and Nancy had
a big tiff — yeh. But at this point
he hasn't moved out — nor started to
so much as pack a bag! And here's
hoping he won't! . . . Don't be Fore
is so happy with his role in Burt
Lancaster's newie, "No Escape." He
Gives him a change to get away
from comedy and sink his teeth into
some heavy dramatics.

GARY COOPER, always "the
quiet type" is flabbergasting
Warnerites with his "abandon"
about some things around the
sets lately . . . Vera Ellen and
husky Rocky Hudson weren't
talking dance routines during
that tete-a-tete at the Brown
Derby . . . Teddy Hart, brother
of the late justly famous Larry
Hart, is compiling the lyrics of
the hundreds of songs which
Larry wrote with Dick Rogers
and will publish them in book
form — as Oscar Hammerstein
just did with his own. . . . Shades
of the old days! Both Polly
Moran and Gilda Gray just
checked into the Roosevelt
Hotel here to appear on "This
is Your Life," the Ralph Edwards
show. Their stint is for the
airing of Billie Burke's life-
story.

ROBERT ROSSEN, the director,
heads east next week to accept the
N. Y. Film critics award for "All
the King's Men." While there
Rossen will try to cast his next,
"The Brave Bulls" from Bway, stage
actors. His search here for "types"
netted him nothing. . . . Arlene Dahl,
George Cukor, the Luther Davies,
producer Arthur Hornblow and his
wife, Leonora, who has her first
book, "Memory and Desire" coming
out via Random House in March,
dinnering at Charlie Brackett's. And
Charlie still bruised from all the
back-slaps for his "Sunset Blvd."

NEW HOSTLER—Hickory Amole, former
Pottstown policeman and Fifth ward
constable, is now hostler at the Eagle
hotel in Uwchlan township, Chester
county.

OLD PENNY—Contractor William L.
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How's Your Mind?

THE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. Who was Nancy Hanks?
2. What is meant by tensile
strength?
3. What vegetables are noted for
their content of—iron, sugar, starch?
4. In what book do the characters
Great-Heart and Mr. Worlidy Wise-
man appear?

FOLKS OF FAME—GUESS
THE NAME



1. He was one of America's most
brilliant golfers, and still plays an
occasional game in big events, al-
though retired. He was born at
Harrison, N. Y., Feb. 2, 1901. His
father wanted him to become a car-
penter, (and he did hammer nails
when he was 14. At 16 he went to
the hospital for an operation, and
taking his physician's advice to be
out of doors a good deal while re-
cuperating, he became a caddy. He
practiced the game assiduously. He
went to Fort Wayne as professional,
then to Titusville, then to a Pitts-
burgh country club, where he prac-
ticed for hours and hours—which is
necessary, he says in his book,
"Commonsense Golf Tips," for
competitive play. He became United
States Open golf champion in 1932.
He now lives on his estate not far
from New York. Who is he?

2. He was born at Podgorze, sub-
urb of Cracow, Poland, Jan. 20, 1876.
At the age of 10 years he was ac-
claimed as a great child pianist, and
made a tour of Europe. Later he
was received by crowned heads of
Europe, and in 1887-88, was brought
to America for tour of concerts. He
is recognized as one of the foremost
contemporary pianists. He became
a naturalized American citizen, and
head of the piano department of a
Philadelphia music institute in 1927.
He is also composer of a symphony,
concertos and an orchestral suite.
What is his name?
(Names at bottom of column)

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE
PETULANT — (PET-u-lant) —
adjective; capriciously fretful; peev-
ish; cross, querulous. Origin:
French — Petulant, from Latin—
Petulans.

IT HAPPENED TODAY
Feast of St. Brigid or Bridget,
beloved Irish saint. 1790—Supreme
Court of United States held first
meeting. Chief Justice John Jay
presiding. 1917—In World War I,
Germany began unrestricted subma-
rine warfare. 1945—United States
Eight Army troops made surprise
landings on Luzon, outflanking Jap-
anese in southern Luzon province,
in World War II.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Alexander Kipnis, opera basso,
and Clark Gable, motion picture
star.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?
1. Mother of Abraham Lincoln.
2. Power to resist stretching.
3. Spinach for iron; beets for
sugar content; potatoes for starch.
4. "Pilgrim's Progress," by John
Bunyan.

1. Gene Sarazen. 2. Josef Hofmann.

Pottstown Sketches

By PHILLIPS



ALL AROUND THE TOWN

Like Planked Steak...

Nothing Like Privacy...

★ POSER—This one almost knocked us
right off our chair. "I sleep right on a
board. Every night. No cover on it, you
understand." It was a woman talking on
the other end of the line. "And you'd be
surprised," she continued, "how many
Pottstown persons sleep on boards." Well,
maybe we would be, we admitted. So we
checked with Dr. David D. Detar, North
Charlotte street physician. Lots of folks
with weak backs use this type support at
night, he said. They've found when mat-
resses sag that their muscles are strained,
and they arise with aching backs. So with
a firmer back support, their muscles relax.
But sleeping on a board won't heal an
injured back or one organically out of
whack. Dr. Detar endorses the board, how-
ever, says it's a great help to weak backs.
Witness the many special, hard mattresses
sold by department and furniture stores.
But sleep on a bare board? He'd never
heard of that before!

★ TELEPHONER—Pfc Kenneth
Mauger, returning from a four-month
tour of the Mediterranean area, tele-
phoned his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul
Mauger, 4 Walnut street, the other day
from aboard the aircraft carrier
Leyte. The Leyte was 200 miles off the
Atlantic coast when Mauger put
through his call. He talked for about
10 minutes with his parents and other
relatives.

★ VIDEO YARN—C. J. "Tommy" Keiser,
the North Washington street television
tycoon, tells this true story of video en-
thusiasm. Customer bought a large \$700
set, returned in a few weeks to inquire
about a \$400, newer machine. Keiser said:
"Why you just bought a large set. What
are you going to do with this one?" Cu-
stomer replied: "That one's for the old lady
downstairs. I'm going to put this one up
in my room." The customer paid cash for
both! . . . Street corner conversation:
"Don't you think a man has more sense
after he's married?" "Yes, but it's too late
then."

★ PRODUCTION — Pottstown auto-
mobile dealers are eyeing reports that
53 automobile manufacturers in the
United States set a new production
record in 1949 by turning out 6,250,000
cars, trucks, and buses. This tops the
previous record, set in 1929, by almost
a million vehicles. The year 1949 saw
many other records tumble. All-time
highs were reached in the number of
vehicles in use, total highway travel,
and special taxes paid by motorists.
The only declines reported were in
the manufacture of replacement parts
for older vehicles, and a drop in auto-
mobile exports to foreign lands. This
drop in export was due to foreign coun-
tries setting up restrictive barriers to
conserve their dwindling supply of dol-
lars.

★ AILING—Jimmy Allen, known far and
wide in Pottstown because he was one of
the town's leading draymen, is ailing at
his home, 408 Walnut street. He's 81 years
old. . . . Another Pottstown octogenarian
bedded by illness is John W. Healy, High
and Adams streets, prominent banker and
public utility official. . . . Slips that pass
in the night: Headline in the Louisville
Courier-Journal: "Dog Bites 6 Persons in
West End." . . . Sign in a West Coast dance
hall: "The management reserves the right
to exclude any lady they think proper."

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

IT often happens that simple methods
succeed where more complicated mea-
sures fail.

Nowhere is this more true than in the
condition known as enuresis or bed-wet-
ting, where control of the bladder is de-
layed beyond the age where it should
have been achieved.

This failure can be due to many dif-
ferent causes; yet in most cases a simple
process of education and training seems
to be of as much value as the drugs,
operations, and mental treatment which are
often resorted to.

This is demonstrated by a group of 61
patients who were observed in the hos-
pital and followed, after their discharge,
for a number of years. Their ages ranged
from 3 to 22 years, the average being be-
tween 9 and 10 years.

Hospital treatment was carried out
under the supervision of a nurse who had
a special knack of dealing with children,
and an appreciation of their need for en-
couragement and praise. The children
were given nothing to drink after six
o'clock at night, and during the first few
days in the hospital, were taken out of
bed at 11:00 p. m. and 2:00 a. m. to go to
the toilet.

When a child began to show improve-
ment he was awakened only once at
night. Later on, the patients were taught
to respond to an alarm clock and they
could get up themselves.

In more severe cases, the patients were
also given some salty food in the evening.

The average duration of the hospital
treatment was 25 days and, on discharge,
the patients were urged to keep up the
same treatment at home. It was found
that, in practically every case, improve-
ment occurred before discharge from the
hospital and, in more than six out of ten,
the bed-wetting was stopped completely.

In another fourth of the patients, the
habit was broken after the first few nights
in the hospital. However, in about one-
fifth of the cases no improvement oc-
curred after discharge from the hospital.
All in all, more than three-fourths of the
patients could be regarded as cured by
this form of treatment.

Practically all of the patients had been
given medicines of one sort or another
before they were admitted to the hospital.
In no instance did the use of the drugs
bring any benefit.

It would appear that this simple treat-
ment brings as good results as those re-
quiring more active measures and the use
of drugs.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

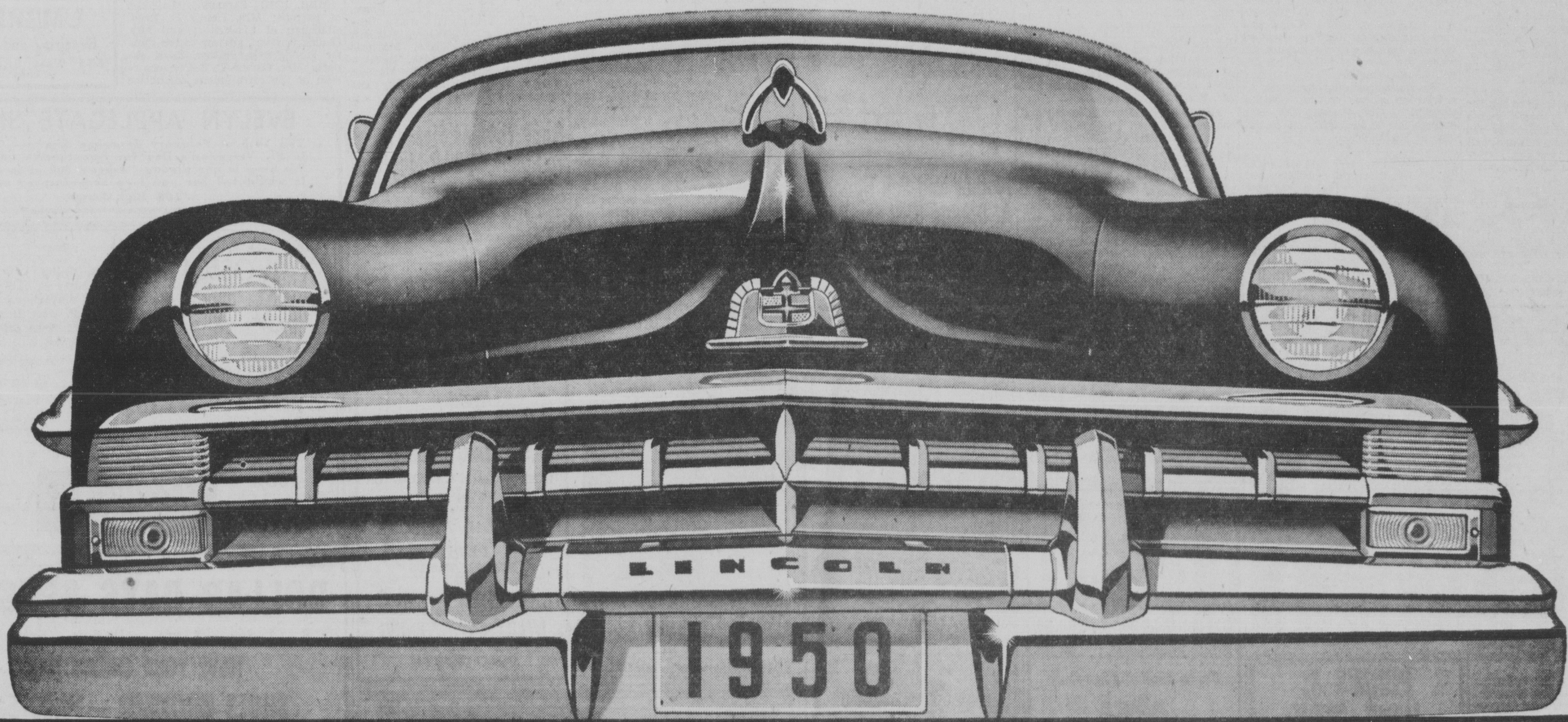
N. N.: Is it all right to inhale salt
water to treat a common cold?

Answer: I am not aware of any scient-
ific experimentation to prove that such
treatment is effective, though at times ir-
rigating or douching the nasal cavities by
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in which there is an accumulation of
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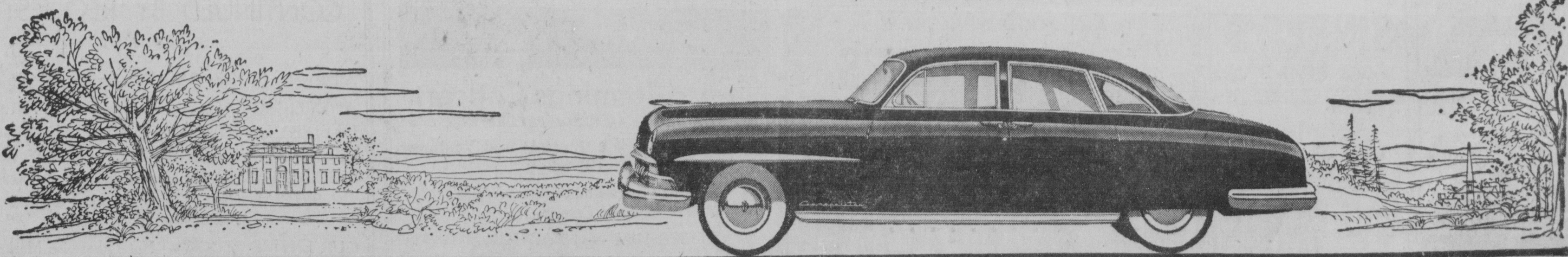
Lincoln's rich new appointments and upholsteries. They saw new elegance in Lincoln's new "Salon Styled" interiors—interiors which are, we believe, the most beautiful in the world.

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'Directors Should Stay Out of Schools,' Dr. G. W. Weber Declares to Club Women

By EDITH M. SCHAEFFER (Mercury Society Editor)

"School directors have no business poking their noses into school rooms," declared Dr. Gustave W. Weber, at a panel discussion conducted last night by members of the Woman's club in library hall.

Director of religious studies of The Hill school, Dr. Weber acted as moderator for a panel discussion on "Views of Tomorrow's Youth," discussed by a parent, instructor, minister and recreational director.

He jumped to answer a question directed by a club woman, "Why doesn't any member of the school board ever come to visit our schools?"

"Most of the men on our school board do not have enough education to know what it is all about," he continued in explanation. "For years, I was the only member of the board that had attended college."

"WE ARE not hired members of the school system, but men chosen by the people to represent them. I don't even know what we would do in a classroom."

"But the interrogator insisted: 'But perhaps the children would like to know their school board is interested, and quite possibly the board might be better able to discuss existing situations, if they at least came to visit occasionally.'"

To which the religious educator and school board member angrily demanded: "I presume you are a teacher and might I just ask which school you represent?"

She replied "The Jackson school." To which Dr. Weber gave a shrug of his shoulders and a toss of his head. "Oh, there."

"That does it. I'm shutting up," replied his questioner.

BUT HARDLY had she sat down until Dr. Weber continued with his explanation, maintaining that the board members did not wish to embarrass the teachers with their presence.

He pointed out that a man is hired by the board to visit the schools and make known the faults of the school system. He again reminded his listeners that men of the board were not capable of knowing what would be wrong with a teacher or his system of teaching because of their lack of education.

At one point he stopped to declare to the audience that his children had never attended Pottstown schools and had not played on Pottstown playgrounds, for which, he said, "I am very thankful."

A teacher in a near-by rural school asked for the floor to tell the audience, "In the 17 years that I have taught school, I had never had a member of the school board visit my school until after the newly-elected board was installed this year."

"SINCE then I have had one director that visited the school twice and in the time I have been teaching, I have never known school to run so smoothly as since that director took an interest in what was going on."

During the heated discussion, Mr. William T. James, guidance counselor of Pottstown Junior High school, and Mr. Francis Donnon, Recreation director, both employees of the school board, came to the defense of Dr. Weber in stating that they also believed a school board member would be offensive in a school room.

PRIOR TO the question and answer period, Mrs. John B. Franz, national guild worker of Reformed churches, described the ideal in what youth could look forward to, tomorrow.

Tracing the generations of civilization, from polygamy to monogamy, she pointed out the rise and fall of nations by the force of their unity in the home and by the final disintegration in the home.

"Two definite factors are threatening the family unit today," she maintained. "One is the lack of housing, resulting in many factors working against the youth of our land. In fact, this one definite lack might easily bring the complete downfall of many of the younger generation."

Another factor in the rotting of the family unit is the tremendous upswing of divorce and separation of parents. From statistics she quoted that in 1890, there was one divorce in 16; by 1920, it was one divorce in six; in 1946, the statistics revealed one divorce for every three marriages, painting a

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CLUB NEWS
Woman's Page
WEDDINGS

Movie Stars Win Bal Masque Prizes



Actress Loretta Young (center) won first prize for most beautiful mask at benefit party given in Beverly Hills, Calif., for St. John's Hospital at nearby Santa Monica. Her mask is modeled after a Hindu temple. It was decorated with costume jewelry and won over peacock feather creation worn by Irene Dunne (right) and a crystal-bedecked mask worn by Lana Turner (left), who was a close third. (AP Wirephoto)

Birthday Party Is Staged For Lorraine Davidheiser

Mrs. Carrie Davidheiser, 829 North Charlotte street, entertained her daughter, Lorraine, at a party in compliment to her 21st birthday anniversary recently.

The guest of honor received many lovely gifts.

A lemon and a spot dance were the highlights of the evening. Winners of the dance contests were: Miss Betty Frech, Mr. Louis Hoffmann, Miss Yolande Formando and Mr. Robert Fryer.

A buffet luncheon was served and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing. Miss Janet Garner took informal pictures of the group.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bower, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Storm 3d, Mr. and Mrs. John Minchak, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Green, Mr. David Grofe, Mr. Louis Hoffman, Mr. Donald Schaeffer, Mr. Eugene Pollock, Mr. Franklin Davidheiser, Miss Yolande Formando, Mr. Donald Miller, Mr. George Slonaker, Mr. Marvin Davidheiser and Mr. Conrad Snell.

Mr. Thomas Storm 4th, Mr. Robert Fisher, Mr. John Panco, Miss Gloria Petzer, Miss Bettie Petzer, Mr. Paul Yerger, Mr. Carroll Keyser, Miss Betty Frech, Miss Kathleen Gaston, Mr. Dwight P. Jones, Miss Catherine Piazza, Mr. Roger Bartholomew, Miss Janet Garner, Miss Mary Ellen Overholzer and Mr. Robert Kurtz.

Also, Miss Elenor Stranick, Miss Janet Schell, Miss Mary Grofe, Mr. Robert Fryer, the guest of honor and hostess.

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BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Fisher Jr., Elverson, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Memorial hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Conner, Pottstown RD 1, yesterday in Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foley, Penn Village, became the parents of a daughter yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Congratulations are being received by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pettigrew, 813 Spruce street, on the birth of a daughter yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Mother and Son Honored At Double Birthday Party

Mrs. Joseph T. Pennick, Spring City RD 1, and son, Mr. Walter Ziegler, Philadelphia, were honored at a birthday party recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pennick, Snowdensville.

A dinner was served and cards and a social evening were enjoyed.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ziegler, Philadelphia; Mrs. Mary Oechel, Dr. and Mrs. William Erickson, Narberth; Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Mitchell, Overbrook; Miss Suzanne Mitchell and Miss Barbara Price.

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- STARTS TODAY -
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FRANK SINATRA
BETTY GARRETT
ANN MILLER
ON THE TOWN
JULES MUNSHIN
VERA-ELLEN
LAST FEATURE 9:27 P.M.

Fern Long Becomes Bride Of Mr. George Stropko

Announcement was made yesterday of the recent marriage of Miss Fern Long to Mr. George A. Stropko in the rectory of St. John's Catholic church of the Greek Rite, with the Rev. John Taptich, rector, officiating.

Miss Long is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Long, Oley, and Mr. Stropko is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stropko, 64 South Evans street.

For her bridal attire Miss Long chose a blue street length dress with black accessories and a corsage of gardenias and violets.

Mrs. John Hutmans, sister of the bridegroom, was matron of honor in a gray dress with black accessories and a yellow rose corsage. Her husband was best man. The Hutmans are from Mont Clare.

Following a dinner in the home of the bridegroom's parents the couple left for a brief honeymoon in Harrisburg. They are residing in Reading where Mr. Stropko is a post-graduate student in the Reading High school. He served four years in the U.S. Army during the past war.

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Co-Chairmen of Charity Ball Committee Entertain Fellow Workers at Tea in Club

Despite fog that hung drearily over the town, and trees that bowed beneath a coating of ice, there was nothing downcast at the gathering at Brookside Country club yesterday afternoon of the Charity Ball committee from the Pottstown Hospital auxiliary.

Mrs. C. Robert Elicker, chairman of the ball, and Mrs. Sam H. Keiser, co-chairman, entertained the committee members at a tea. The two hostesses received at the door. Mrs. Elicker wore a black dress with a multi-strand pearl choker at her throat and a white orchid on her shoulder. Mrs. Keiser was in brown crepe embroidered in beading.

Preceding tea, a business meeting was held, with chairmen of committees reporting on the progress of their groups. Mrs. Murray Gulack, co-chairman of the decorating committee, announced that beginning Wednesday night, Feb. 15, at 7 o'clock, members of her committee will begin the task of transforming Sunnybrook ballroom into a Spring garden.

THEIR EFFORTS will continue Thursday afternoon and evening, Feb. 16, and all day Friday, Feb. 17, until the job is completed and the scene set for the ball that night.

Mrs. J. Elmer Seavers, chairman of properties, warned her committee that "strong arm" tactics would be expected of them both Wednesday and Thursday before the ball. Her committee has the job of setting up all of the tables and chairs for the affair.

Mrs. Nathan Streicher announced that all arrangements for Sylvan Herman's orchestra have been completed, and that music will start at 10 o'clock the night of the ball and play on until 2 o'clock in the morning. She added that a two-act floor show will be a feature of the entertainment for the night.

As co-chairman of the signature committee, Mrs. Larry Orgill reported that her group had secured 325 signatures for the signature ad page which will run in The Mercury Feb. 15. She made no financial report, but informed the group that the committee was confident of reaching its goal.

MRS. JOHN SAMMONS, chairman of patrons; Mrs. Henry D. Reed, chairman of tickets; and Mrs. Claude Shelton, advisor to the Junior auxiliary committee, made reports. Mrs. Carson C. Potter, chairman of the refreshment committee

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'Directors Should Stay Out of Schools,' Dr. G. W. Weber Declares to Club Women

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have to offer whether it be one or ten.

"We have made great strides in the physical aspects of the child—a visit of every child to the doctor and dentist once a year—enforcing of compulsory education, but some day we must be equipped to develop all ten talents extensively, if a child has them, or completely bring out his only talent, if he has but one.

"Each year about 20 parents call me asking to take their children out of school, and of that number only about two are allowed to quit." "Because of this we need a more flexible curriculum, one that can take in the huge variety of subjects needed to care for the child with just one talent. With our present list of studies we can not begin to do this.

"BACK IN MY grandfather's day, if a child couldn't keep up with his subjects, he was simply chucked out of school. Today this cannot be done, and the child must stay in school feeling miserable and dejected.

"In my grandfather's day, opportunities were limited to possibly 40 to 50 careers, today there are more than 38,000 different occupations which a child can follow, and one of which could make him a success in life.

"In the school of tomorrow, I predict a guidance counselor for from each two to three hundred students, who will be able to talk with the child show him his abilities and the best way to make use of them."

"FROM The counselor, the club members learned a new dream, that of having a salesman for the schools.

"Public schools will and must have a salesman," he declared. "Name me one industry that sells a product that does not have a salesman dispensing his wares, yet the most valuable part of our substance, our education has no one to sell it to the public.

"MY VIEWS of tomorrow for the youth," stated Mr. Donnon, in opening his discussion of the future for recreation," are not as clear-cut or vivid as the former speakers.

"Recreation is as old man. It is only organized recreation that is new.

"Organized recreation came with the automobiles when parents learned that crowded streets, cars and children do not mix. Stating that playgrounds began in the 1920's, the recreational department of Pottstown was started in 1939 that play might be organized for all sexes, all ages and all creeds.

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cause of shorter working hours and early in his youth must be trained to make the best use of it.

In closing he stated, "Recreation is more important now than ever before."

DURING THE business session conducted by Mrs. George Hughes, president, announcement was made of Gentlemen's night, Feb. 14, and of a book review, Wednesday night, Feb. 8 at the home of Mrs. Joseph Bowen, 17 Maplewood drive. Mr. Carl J. Keiser, president of the Northern Branch Red Cross made a plea for volunteers for every phase of Red Cross work.

Miss Betty Werstler, accompanied by her sister, Miss Marion Werstler, presented two vocal selections. Leader was Mrs. Edward Penny-packer.

Brownie Troop Holds Service in Church With Scout Troop 10

Relatives and friends of Brownie Troop 19 and Girl Scout Troop 10, both of Trinity Reformed church, attended Brownie fly-up services and an investiture service of the Girl Scouts Monday night in the church.

Officiating at the Brownie service were Mrs. Melvin Unneberg and Mrs. Clarence Smith.

Brownies who graduated into the Girl Scout Troop were Eleanor Saraceni, Donna Jean Love, Judy Lambert, Nancy Kurtz, Nancy Heimbach and Nancy Ellen Van Buskirk.

The three girls from Troop 10 who were installed were Judy Rosendale, Margie Weinder and Patty Drumheller. Officiating were Mrs. Clemmy Neal and Mrs. Irene Mentzer.

The services were held by candlelight while the girls stood in horseshoe formation.

A reception was held following the meeting, with members of troop 10 as hostesses.

Other Brownies attending were: Sandra and Susan Kruk, Gail Ruth Garner, Anette Edleman, Judith Fryer and Marsha Boughter. Scouts attending were: Mary Anne Lessig, Patty Schuler, Ellen Bittling, Alice Weber, Dawn Brownback, Vera Mentzer, Marjorie Hampton, Donna Royer and Joy Daniels.

Guests included: Mrs. Irma Saraceni, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Love, Mrs. Charles Garner, Master Earl Potteiger, Gail Potteiger, Mrs. Bernice Rosendale, Mrs. Daniel Lambert, Mrs. Bessie Boughter, Mrs. K. E. Van Buskirk, Mrs. F. W. Van Buskirk, Mrs. John Kurtz, Mrs. Edward B. Heimbach, Mrs. Lewis Fryer, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Edleman, Mrs. George M. Weber, William Weber, Elizabeth Weber and Mrs. Jane Kruk.

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Social Calendar

Lady Orioles—Meeting and revealing of secret pairs tonight at 8 o'clock in the Orioles home.

Women's Society of Christian service—Executive meeting in Seales Memorial Methodist church tonight after the midweek service.

Memorial Hospital auxiliary—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the nurses home.

Century club—Meeting this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock in Library hall.

Jewish Women's League—Meeting tonight tonight at 8:15 o'clock in Mercy and Truth synagog.

Girl Scout Troop 20—Meeting tonight at 6 o'clock in Sanatoga grange hall.

Brownie Troop 23—Meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in First Presbyterian church.

Upper Pottsgrove Township Parent Teacher association—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the school house.

Mother's club of Pine Forge school—Meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock in Pine Forge school.

Woman's auxiliary of Christ Episcopal church—Meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the parish house.

School Mother's Club To Hear Two Speakers

Tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Pine Forge school building, members of the Mother's club will hear Sgt. Anthony H. Herman, of the Pottstown police force, and the Rev. Maurice E. Hoover, pastor of Seales Memorial Methodist church.

Guests of the meeting will include members of the school board, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Romich, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greish, Mr. and Mrs. Baker Templin.

George Bittings Entertain With Dual Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. George Bittings, Sanatoga Park, entertained at a dinner in honor of the birthday anniversaries of their daughter, Eva Irene, and Mrs. Bittings' mother, Mrs. Jennie Bolton, 456 High street.

Miss Bittings observed her birthday anniversary on Monday, while Mrs. Bolton will observe her birthday anniversary tomorrow.

Red streamers and balloons decorated the room, and a large birthday cake graced the center of the table. Gifts were received and a social evening was enjoyed by all.

Among the guests attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Warren Steward and son, Carl, Meyerstown; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Case, Meyerstown; Mrs. Mary Geisinger and son Richard; Mr. Henry Geisinger, Mr. Edwin Bolton, Mr. Glenn Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Kerchner and sons, Donald and Charles, and Mrs. Estella Bittling.

PTA of Upper Pottsgrove Plans Special Program

An anniversary meeting of the Parent Teacher association of Upper Pottsgrove Township school will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the schoolhouse.

Mrs. Ruth Spalde, president, will be in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Virginia Hughes, has charge of the program, which is entitled, "PTA Cornerstones."

Those participating in the program are: Mrs. Morris Gerhard, Mrs. Naomi Tisher, Mrs. Maisie Rhoads, Mrs. Bernice Dunlap, Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer and Mrs. Hughes. Refreshments will be served and a social hour will follow the meeting. All members were urged to attend.

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Trinity Reformed Young Adults Celebrate Third Anniversary With Dinner Meeting

The third anniversary of the organization of the Young Adult class of Trinity Reformed Sunday school was observed at a chicken banquet last night at Kusch's restaurant.

Mrs. Clarence Hilborn, class president, presided. Mrs. John B. Frantz, class teacher, spoke briefly.

Following the dinner, group and individual games were played under the direction of Mrs. Hilborn.

At a brief business meeting, men in the group decided to support two committee members, Mr. William Yohn and Mr. Clarence Hilborn, in projecting a father and son program at the Sunday school session, Sunday, Feb. 19, and a full attendance of a fathers and sons of the congregation at the church service that morning.

The group also decided to attend the Wednesday night Lenten service on March 1 in a body, and hold the annual election of officers at a planned meeting and fellowship in Fellowship Hall of the church following the service.

AT THE SAME meeting the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor, will challenge members to co-operate in the congregational evangelism visitation project, sponsored nationally as a part of the United Evangelistic Advance in many of the Protestant churches.

The group was organized at the parsonage of Trinity church in January, 1947, by the Rev. and Mrs. Frantz and Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Haury. Members meet every Sunday morning during the Sunday school session for class discussions, and hold periodic social and educational meetings once a month. Several hundred dollars has been contributed by the group to the improvement fund of the church.

Those attending the dinner last night were:

The Rev. and Mrs. Frantz, Mr. and Mrs. Hilborn, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Galloway, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hartenstein Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William Yohn, Mr. and Mrs. George Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rutter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Delong, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Klink Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harold Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Haury.

Officers of the class are: Mrs. Hilborn, president; Mr. Hartenstein Jr., first vice president; Mr. Paul Wagner, second vice president; Mrs. Warren Delong, secretary, and Mrs. Gordon Galloway, treasurer.

Betty J. Levensgood Feted With Surprise Shower

Miss Betty J. Levensgood was feted at a bridal shower recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tarmichael, 1105 Rambler avenue, in honor of her coming marriage to Cpl. Richard Shenk.

The guest of honor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cresson Levensgood, 1211 Cherry street, and Cpl. Shenk is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shenk, Swamp Hotel, Gilbertsville RD 1.

The wedding will be an event of Feb. 12.

Pink, aqua and yellow crepe paper—the colors of the go-ins to be worn by attendants of the bride—decorated the room. A huge umbrella hung from the chandelier in the middle of the room. The gifts were tied to streamers attached to the umbrella.

Refreshments were served after the opening of the gifts.

Hostesses were the bride's attendants: Miss Betty Jeanne Banz, Miss Claire Hoskinson, Miss Christine Bartholomew, Miss Christine Bittling and Miss Betty Schmidt.

Guests included: Mrs. Stauffer Kutz, Miss Adele Nariaka, Miss Betty Nester, Mrs. John Wayda, Miss Ethel Yerger, Mrs. Alice Stong, Mrs. James Simpson, Mrs. Betty Tarmichael, Mrs. Harry Miller, Mrs. Marge Riegner, Mrs. Martha Budd, Mrs. Anna Yeager, Miss Helen Yeager, Mrs. Richard Cadmus, Miss Virginia Kulishoff, Mrs. Arlene Miller and Mrs. Dorothy Levensgood.

Attending were: Joan Koren, Barbara Kiefniz, Jean Berthold, Barbara Houck, Mary Ann Firing, Kathleen Murphy, Patricia Murphy, Patricia Pryor, Elizabeth Bartchak, Judy Bartchak, Peggy Ellen Rhoads, Patricia Linderman, Jackie Digner, Barbara Marchak, Mary Ann Turner, Ethel Marie Bruntz, Theresa Molchew and the leaders, Mrs. William Berthold and Mrs. Ethel Pryor.

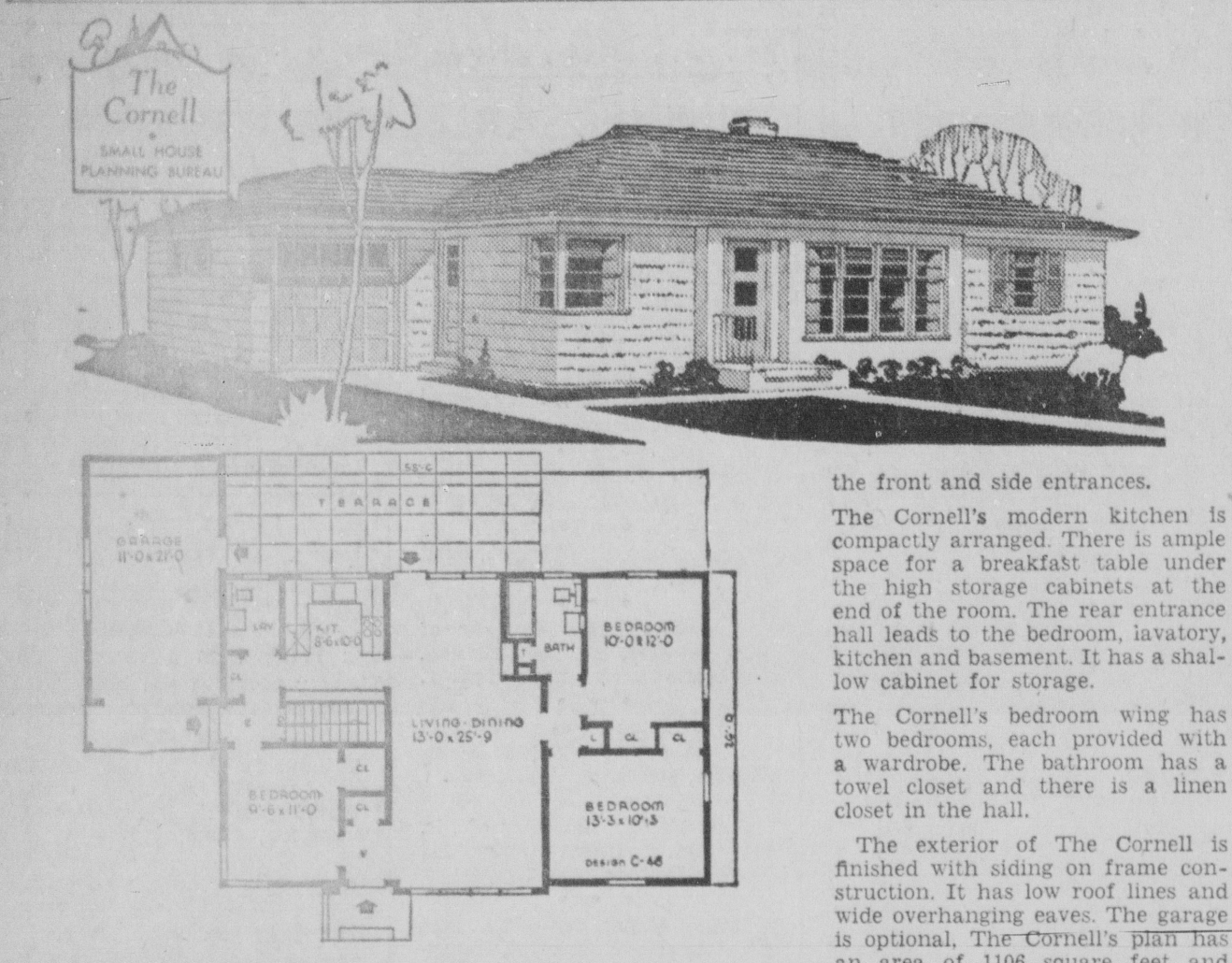
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The Cornell's modern kitchen is compactly arranged. There is ample space for a breakfast table under the high storage cabinets at the end of the room. The rear entrance hall leads to the bedroom, lavatory, kitchen and basement. It has a shallow cabinet for storage.

The Cornell's bedroom wing has two bedrooms, each provided with a wardrobe. The bathroom has a towel closet and there is a linen closet in the hall.

The exterior of The Cornell is finished with siding on frame construction. It has low roof lines and wide overhanging eaves. The garage is optional. The Cornell's plan has an area of 1106 square feet and contains a volume of 21,235 cubic feet, excluding the garage.

For further information about THE CORNELL, write the Small House Planning Bureau, St. Cloud, Minn.

Hits Tax Fund Use For Private Schools

HARRISBURG, Jan. 31 (AP)—The Pennsylvania Council of Churches today, opposed use of tax funds for "the direct or indirect support of private or parochial schools."

Instead, the council, an organization of protestant groups, adopted a resolution favoring "a system of public schools, supported by public funds and controlled by publicly elected officers."

Dr. Raymond M. Kistler, president of Beaver college, of Jenkintown, near Philadelphia, was elected president of the council. He succeeded Bishop John S. Stamm, Harrisburg, of the Evangelical United Brethren church.

Bishop Stamm, who is also president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, retired from the council presidency after serving four years. He was placed on the board of directors.

Dr. Kistler, in assuming the presidency of the council, called for unity among churches.

"The council of churches is fundamental in the life of the world today," he said. "We are building new worlds, laying new foundations and Christians should have a part in it. But they will not unless they unite."

Man Indicted for Murder Insane, Physicians Say

ERIE, Jan. 31 (AP)—Examining physicians today declared a steel worker indicted for murder is insane.

The man is George Burke, 46; accused of fatally beating Carl Wagner, 32, a one-legged carpenter who roomed in the Burke home. State police said Burke and Wagner had argued over the carpenter's attentions to Mrs. Burke. The physician's report now awaits action of the Erie County court.

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Mrs. Augustus Letterhouse is confined to her home suffering with a cold.

The Rev. and Mrs. Wilmer Shelly and children, Bruce and Carolyn Ann, and his father, A. Z. Shelly, visited the latter's sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Gustin, and family of Drexel Hill on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arland Longacre were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nice in Souderton.



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Arbitration Discussed In Telephone Dispute

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31 (AP)—Arbitration of the dispute which is threatening to erupt in a nationwide telephone strike Feb. 8 was discussed as a possible solution today by the union and government mediators.

Associate Director William N. Margolis, of the Conciliation Service, said that he had an hour-long conference on arbitration and the issues in the dispute with President Joseph A. Beirne, of the CIO-Communications Workers Union.

It is this union which has scheduled a strike in an effort to gain higher pay and other concessions from the Bell Telephone system.

Another conference is scheduled for tomorrow with Cyrus S. Ching, conciliation chief who is returning from meetings with his staff in California.

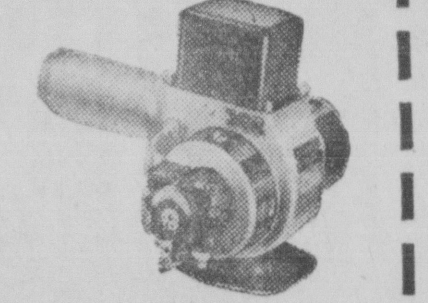
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Kiwanians Are Quizzed On Pottstown Statistics

Questions on the reserve in Pottstown's banks, the number of seats in its theaters and the borough's altitude were part of a quiz contest presented at a regular meeting of the Kiwanis club last night at the Elks home.

Other questions: Population of Pottstown; distance from here to Philadelphia and New York; annual mercantile sales, and number of acres at the Municipal airport.

Robert E. Meloy was quizmaster and Carson C. Potter, president, was in charge of the meeting. About 60 members attended.

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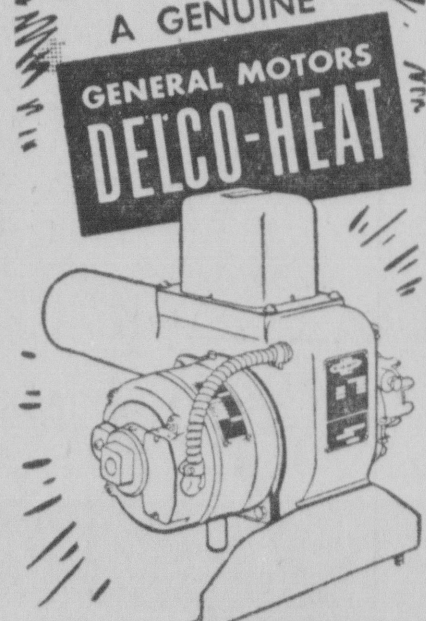
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Recognition of Ho in Indochina Impairs Soviet-French Relations, France Tells Soviet

PARIS, Jan. 31 (AP)—France sharply warned Russia tonight that Moscow's recognition of the "rebel" Ho Chi-minh in Indochina gravely impaired Soviet-French relations.

French officials expressed fear the stage is being set rapidly for an East-West war for southeast Asia in the jungles of Indochina. French troops have fought for four years in this area to stamp out the Nationalist-Communist movement led by the Moscow-trained Ho.

At least the potentialities for another guerrilla conflict like that in Greece seemed to be shaping up in the rich tropical country where the French are backing a rival regime headed by ex-Empress Bao Dai.

A foreign office spokesman summed up the significance of Moscow's action this way:

"When the Chinese Communists under Mao Tse-tung swarm southward to join Ho Chi-minh against the French they will have Moscow back of them. Thus the battle-lines will be drawn between the East and West for another war."

THE SPOKESMAN predicted Britain and the United States now will speed official recognition of the Vietnam state headed by Bao Dai.

Chinese Communists already are drawn up on the northern Indochina border in position to give either secret or open mili-

tary aid to Ho.

What remained to be seen was the military support that might be given to the French. The French were interested, however, in the comment in Washington of State department press officer Lincoln White that Russia's action unmasked Ho as "an agent of world Communism."

THE FRENCH NOTE of protest to Moscow was delivered simultaneously to the Soviet embassy and British and United States embassy officials.

The note said Moscow's offer to exchange diplomatic representatives with Ho "violates the principles of international rights because the only qualified government of Vietnam is the government which has been

constituted by his majesty, Bao Dai, to whom the French government has transferred the rights of sovereignty which it held previously."

The note said Russia was encouraging a "rebel movement" against France and that the character and consequences of the Russian initiative could not be underestimated.

"The French government solemnly protests against a decision which is of a nature to gravely impair Franco-Soviet relations," the note concluded.

Soon after the note was published, French President Vincent Auriol summoned a full cabinet meeting.

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BOYS' CHOIR —

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scholarships of \$450 each will be offered to the second and third place winners.

Auditions will be held in 15 key cities between Feb. 15 and 26. From the preliminary auditions, boys will be chosen to compete in the national finals in Dallas, March 1. Each boy will be asked to sing two songs of his own choosing.

THE CITY IN WHICH George will be auditioned will be announced later.

For the past six months, the youngster has been taking piano lessons, his mother said. He already is studying under an advanced teacher.

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Death of 10 Sub Victims Accidental, Says Verdict

GILLINGHAM, England, Jan. 31 (AP)—A coroner gave a verdict of accidental death today after an inquest into the death of ten of the victims of the sinking of the British submarine Trident.

ALLEY PIN BOYS —

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church league members. Union representatives from all three plants visited the alleys to make sure that the picket line had been honored.

When the Cardonicks arrived, they assured Kelley that an agreement would be reached and asked that the picket line be removed. Kelley agreed to their request.

THE AGREEMENT, recognizing the UMW's District 50 as bargaining agent for the boys, was signed at 11:50 o'clock in the Labor Lyceum Association hall, 24 South Charlotte street.

It guarantees that any pay raises won by the boys will be retroactive to Feb. 1.

A 1-cent a game raise, which would boost their wages to 8 cents a game, was the issue of the striking pin boys. They staged a sit-down strike the past Wednesday when Charles Rogers, manager of the alleys, refused their request. Rogers had them ejected by the police.

The youngsters based their demand on the wage scale which prevails in other bowling alleys throughout the borough, Schneider said. He pointed out that pin boys at the Owls', Eagles', and Elks' home received 10 cents a game.

At the YMCA alleys, he continued, the boys receive 8 cents a game, but an additional cent is put aside for them to provide paid vacations and yearly memberships in the Y.

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WEATHER —

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Pottstown area escaped ice yesterday except for a few spots in Berks county. Higher temperatures later in the morning melted the trouble spots, however.

Only scant damage was done to telephone lines and none at all to power wires. Spokesmen said a lack of wind and quick melting saved lines from widespread damage.

Some rain or snow was forecast for both today and tomorrow. The first traces of snow falling early this morning.

Henry Luce Withdraws As Possible Candidate

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 31 (AP)—Magazine publisher Henry R. Luce, of Ridgefield, withdrew today as a possibility for the Republican nomination for U. S. Senator in Connecticut this fall.

The withdrawal was announced by State chairman Clarence F. Baldwin and National Committeeman Harold E. Mitchell after a telephone conversation with Luce, editor-in-chief of Time, Life and Fortune magazines.

In their statement, the leaders gave no reason for the withdrawal of Luce, who said three weeks ago he was "definitely interested" in the nomination.

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HOT LUNCHES —

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tippling to encourage academic students to delay their arrival at the cafeteria.

Moving at top speed, academic students can reach the cafeteria by about 12:40 o'clock. If they take their time, they would reach there at about 12:50 o'clock, and find far more space and freedom when they got there.

Since those first on the scene, students from vocational shops and classrooms, arrive there at 11:35 and 11:40 o'clock, Davenport explained, this voluntary cooperation would mean that vocational students would be practically finished by the time academic students arrive.

Davenport said such a voluntary program seemed the best way of having more students take advantage of the subsidy program.

He explained that juggling classroom periods by a few minutes, so that different classes began their lunch hours at different times, would be impractical.

And the system used with the younger students at the less-centrally located junior high—having entirely separate lunch hours—would not be feasible for the senior high, Davenport added.

The average urban family receives about twice as much cash income as the average farm or village family.

BUS SERVICE —

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received, Schulz reported. Healy would be willing to have the request go through normal channels to the State Public Utility commission, which is authorized to grant an extension.

Schulz went to work for the residents seeking the additional bus service after a Mercury editorial raised the question of why the chamber hadn't yet offered to support them.

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Royersford high school juniors will go before the footlights with their annual class play in the high school auditorium March 3 and 4. Title of the presentation is "A Change of Heart," a three-act comedy. With Dolly Leonhardt and Albert Fischer appearing in the leading roles.

Others in the cast are Joan Smith, Jean Newborn, Nancy Urban, Roberta Keiter, Johanna Sprenger, Nancy Henry, Gary Foreman, Gerald Hoff, Clark Shaner, David Rogers, Everett Evans, Robert McIntyre, Kenneth Keim, Sandra MacMichael and Mary Undercoffler.

Assisting in preparations for the play also are the class officers and the class adviser, John Diller.

OFFICERS are Albert Fischer, president; Emidio Cinciripino, vice-president; Mary MacIntyre, treasurer; and Robert Emswiler, secretary.

The stage committee is composed of John Hanebury, faculty adviser;

Supper to Be Conducted By Sunday School Class

The anniversary supper of Alpha Tau Sunday school class of Spring City First Evangelical and Reformed church will be held at 6:30 o'clock tomorrow night in Memorial hall. The social committee will have charge.

It will not be necessary for those attending to bring table service. The dime plates will be handed in at this meeting.

Twin-Boro Classified

Deaths

MAJOR—In the Memorial hospital, Pottstown, on Monday, Jan. 30, 1950, Mary Elva, wife of Albert Major, of Royersford RD 1, aged 65 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the funeral services on Friday at 2 p. m. from the Charles J. Franks Funeral Home, Trappe, Interment St. James cemetery, Limerick. Friends may call Thursday evening 7 to 9. (Franks)

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Racing Against Time in Air Hunt



Deputy mission commander Capt. Kenneth McChesney of Tacoma, Wash., hands out maps to fliers participating in the vast search for an Air Force C54 transport which disappeared with 44 persons aboard. Seven thousand American and Canadian fliers and ground crewmen are aiding in the hunt in the bitter cold.

Bidault's Cabinet Given New Vote of Confidence

PARIS, Jan. 31 (P)—The National assembly approved a record French budget for 1950 and simultaneously gave Premier Georges Bidault's Coalition cabinet a new vote of confidence tonight, 301 to 284.

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Dobbin Gets Revenge On Machines While Taking Last Ride

An old horse on its way to be butchered had its revenge early yesterday on the motor vehicles that out-dated it, by causing a \$450 accident at the intersection of Routes 83 and 23, south of Spring City.

The horse was one in a load in a truck driven by Harry C. Gerlotti, 41, Philadelphia.

When Dobbin fell down in the machine, Gerlotti told Devon State Trooper Herman J. Simms, he stopped the truck and pulled it against a bank near the intersection to unload the horses.

The front of the truck blocked part of the highway, and was side-swiped by the car of Norman Ziegler, Fourth avenue, Royersford RD, who was driving from Phoenixville.

The State trooper estimated that \$300 damage was caused to the truck and \$150 to the right rear of the car.

The about-to-be-butchered horses did not have injury added to insult.

Two Groups Will Join In Valentine Supper

Auxiliary No. 6 of Rivercrest pre-ventorium and the Ladies' Bible class of Spring City Lutheran church will hold a Valentine covered dish supper in the church basement tomorrow night at 6:30 o'clock.

All members were invited to attend and bring a friend.

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Girl Insane When She Killed Father, Kin Testify at Trial

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 31 (AP)—Carol Ann Paight's mother and brother said today the girl was insane when she fired the bullet that killed her cancer-stricken father.

Northwest Gets Army Help in Snow Disaster

By The Associated Press

The Army released equipment for rescue missions in snow-locked sections of the Dakotas yesterday and studied whether another "Operation Snowbound" is needed to relieve distress.

At the same time, the coldest weather in more than a half century gripped areas of the Pacific Northwest. Temperatures sagged below freezing again in the southern citrus belt.

Parts of the Dakotas are buried under a 34-inch deep snow blanket with drifts up to 10 feet high. Some rural families have been isolated since mid-December.

An estimated 500 families are in desperate need of heating fuel in the sub-zero cold. Some families are running out of food. The Army said one of the most critical spots is the town of Edgely, N. D., where fuel is nearly gone.

The Red Cross designated as disaster areas four South Dakota counties and a 150 mile long and 50 mile wide stretch of North Dakota from Devils Lake to the South Dakota border.

Both the Red Cross and Gov. Fred Andahl, of North Dakota, appealed to the Army for vessels to reach isolated families. The Army said eight of them would be flown in Wednesday morning from Illinois.

FIFTH ARMY headquarters in Chicago announced an aerial survey was being made of the stricken area. This will determine whether Army manpower and bulldozers from other states are needed.

An Army reconnaissance plane, flying at tree-top level, covered about half the North Dakota disaster area Tuesday—from Jamestown to Devils Lake. The Army expects to complete the aerial survey Wednesday.

The decision on how much equipment and manpower the Army will throw into the battle of the snow drifts may be made after that. The Army observer said he found all state roads open but all rural roads blocked. Many automobiles, virtually buried under snow drifts, were stalled on rural roads.

The 52-year-old black-clad widow of Police Sgt. Carl W. Paight and her son, Carl Jr., 22, both fought to keep their tears and emotions in check as they took the witness stand to help Carol Ann in her fight against a second degree murder charge.

Conviction on the charge would mean a life sentence for the tall, 21-year-old blonde. Her lawyers have entered a plea of temporary insanity. For the first time since she went on trial a week ago, Carol Ann wept silently. With her head frequently bowed and a handkerchief wept to her eyes, she heard her mother and brother express the conviction that insanity alone could have driven her to shoot her father the past Sept. 23.

Sergeant Paight, 52, lay in a hospital bed then, so riddled with cancer that a surgeon said he could not live more than six weeks.

OTHERS IN THE small courtroom cleared their throats or brought handkerchiefs to their eyes as Mrs. Paight testified in a clear, firm voice.

"She couldn't be of sane mind, it (the shooting) was against her religious training. It was against her background. She could never touch a finger of her daddy. She adored him. It was against the very fiber of her being. She couldn't possibly, if she was sane, do such a thing."

Both Mrs. Paight and her son, a handsome football player at New Haven Teacher's college, testified that Carol Ann was a religious girl—a communicant who regularly attended mass at St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in Stamford.

She wasn't brought up to do a thing like that," testified Carl. He quietly added that Carol Ann's act was "against a commandment of the Catholic church."

Young Paight, as well as his mother, told a jury of nine women and three men that Carol Ann had grown up in horror of cancer.

They testified that one of her aunts—a sister of Sergeant Paight—died of the ailment when Carol Ann was three or four years old.

Later, they said, Carol Ann, then 14, saw a great aunt shrink from a big woman of 200 pounds to a cancer-stricken victim weighing 80 pounds. She, too, died of cancer.

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Boy, 13, Loses Friends; Shoots Girl Classmate

CHICAGO, Jan. 13 (AP)—Police said an eighth grade schoolboy told them he shot a 13-year-old girl classmate today "because she made me lose my girl friends."

The shooting occurred in a modified progressive grade school in the fashionable North Shore suburb of Winnetka.

The victim, Nancy Penfield, daughter of a former Evanston, Ill., mayor, was reported in fair condition tonight.

The 22 caliber bullet struck the left side of her neck, passed through her mouth and lodged in her left cheek.

Police held Cophorne (Copp) MacDonald, 13, for questioning. No charge was placed against him. He was taken to the juvenile home.

Nancy was found lying in a second floor corridor of Winnetka's Skokie school. Singing in a nearby music room had drowned out the noise of the shot.

POLICE LATER picked up MacDonald at the home of a friend. Police Chief Rex Andrews, of Winnetka said the boy gave this account:

He had suggested improper relations to Nancy and had been refused. He feared she had talked of the incident to other girls and caused him to lose his girl friends. He decided to "shoot Nancy but not kill her," Andrews said.

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Legislator Keeps Seat, Refuses Applause To Japanese Delegation Visiting U. S.

BOSTON, Jan. 31 (AP)—His face stern and his hands idle, a young Massachusetts representative kept his seat today as all around him fellow house members stood up in applauding welcome to 14 visiting Japanese.

Snubbed yesterday by the Boston city council, the 14 Japanese lawmakers today received a warm welcome that seemed to be joined in by everyone in Massachusetts gold-domed Statehouse.

But then they were ushered into the House and as the applause of the standing members grew, observers noticed the young legislator who did not stand up.

He was Daniel Rudsten, 30, a Boston Democrat and former Marine who knew Jap warfare in the Pacific himself and who lost a brother in it.

RUDSTEN TOLD newsmen afterward he didn't mind being tactful with the visiting Japanese but he didn't feel that he could be openly friendly.

"I lost a brother in the Pacific due to aggression by the Japanese," Rudsten said.

He said he himself was a former Marine captain who saw his company "practically annihilated" in the Pacific.

"I feel the visiting delegates deserve our protection and tactical treatment. I do not feel that I must applaud or show overt signs of friendliness which I do not possess."

Nobody seemed to know whether the Japanese were aware of Rudsten's action. In yesterday's city council meeting, the council voted to bar the visitors sent here by Gen. Douglas MacArthur for a first-hand study of American democracy in action.

NET PROFITS DROP
PITTSBURGH, Jan. 31 (AP)—Net profits of the Jones and Laughlin Steel corporation took a \$10,000,000 drop last year.

Battleship Won't Budge From Chesapeake Shoal

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 31 (AP)—The battleship Missouri proved again today she's the heavyweight of the U. S. fleet by refusing to budge off her Chesapeake bay shoal.

The stranded giant sat forlornly proud in the mist and fog at dawn unmoved by efforts of tugs, tide and the Navy's best salvage brains.

Two thousand men, 23 pulling and nudging vessels and the big Mo's own power winches pulling on anchored cables took part in the churning straining effort.

But all this—as well as the body English applied by all the Navy afloat and ashore—wasn't enough to move the 45,000-ton battleship. It looked to salvage officers like a big rock may have dented her bottom and held her hooked like a snap fastener.

TOMORROW, THOUGH, is another day and 7:30 a. m., is time for another high tide.

Then, announced Rear Admiral Allan E. Smith, overall salvage chief, the Missouri will be urged again to drag her two-acre bottom the half mile into safe deep water. She left the buoy-marked confines of the channel on Jan. 17 and scraped along for a distance three times that of her 888-foot length before sitting down—hard—off Thimble Shoal light.

Smith, confident that today would be the day, was the one who made the decision to knock off after the tug fleet had beat the water of bay in vain for 1 hour and 50 minutes.

Undaunted, though, he told reporters aboard:

"There's no question about the Missouri getting off. It will just take more careful planning and hard work."

SMITH AND THE Missouri's luckless skipper, Capt. William D. Brown, thought for a while she was coming off during this morning's operation.

"She's ready to come now," said Smith at 7:17 a. m. "All she needs is a good shaking or something to twist her from the sand."

The group of heavy fleet tugs kept their constant strain on the cables to the Missouri's stern. Sharp, flat radio commands to the smaller yard tugs kept them nudging her bow—first port, then starboard. But she wouldn't twist.

And at a crucial moment while the tide was at its peak, a cable to one of the big tugs snapped with the sound of a rifle shot. The heavy wire arched angrily but touched no one before it slithered into the sea.

IRON PRODUCTION CUT

SHARON, Jan. 31 (AP)—The Sharon Steel corporation today began a 20 to 25 percent reduction in blast furnace production pig iron. Officials blamed the cutback on the coal shortage.

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6:00	Morning Salute	Jamboree	Farmer Jones	Dawn Patrol
6:15	Morning Salute	Rural Digest	" "	News Music
6:30	Morning Salute	John Trent	" "	Dawn Patrol
6:45	" "	" "	" "	News
7:00	Musical Clock	News: Weather	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
7:15	Musical Clock	Bugle Call:	Music	Comedy
7:30	" "	J. Raleigh News	News: Weather	Mac McGuire
7:45	" "	" "	LeRoy Miller	Comedy
8:00	Musical Clock	Bugle Call:	Musical Clock	Mac McGuire
8:15	" "	" "	" "	News
8:30	" "	" "	" "	Mac McGuire
8:45	" "	" "	" "	" "
9:00	Lee and Gene	Cinderella	Morning Extra	News
9:15	" "	Weekend	Breakfast Club	Chatter Bar
9:30	Ruth Welles	Hollywood	" "	Music
9:45	" "	Theatre	" "	" "
10:00	Welcome	Store Party	My True Story	Keys to Happiness
10:15	Travelers	Your Bell Rings	True Story	News Music
10:30	Marriage Two	Arthur Godfrey	Betty Crocker	Tello-Test
10:45	Dorothy Dix	" "	Victor Lindahl	Kitchen Kapers
11:00	Love and Learn	Arthur Godfrey	Sharps and Flats	Kitchen Kapers
11:15	Dave Garroway	" "	Guy Lombardo	What Song
11:30	Jack Benvenuti	Women Only	Sharp As a Flint	Morning Star
11:45	Lora Lawton	Rosemary	" "	" "

AFTERNOON

Hour	News: Midday	W Warren: News	Ladies Be Seated	Kate Smith
12:00	Revue	Aunt Jenny	For You	News
12:15	News	Helen Trent	" "	Gabriel Heatter
12:30	Melody Magic	Big Sister	Music	Behind the Story
12:45	" "	Ma Perkins	Music	Do Re Mi for You
1:00	" "	Dr. Malone	Mary Jones	Raymond Riddles
1:15	News Digest	Guideline Light	Books	Ladies' Fair
1:30	" "	Double or Nothing	Hannibal Cobb	Queen for a Day
1:45	" "	Nothing	" "	" "
2:00	Today's Children	Perry Mason	Bride and Groom	Matinee McGuire
2:15	Light of World	Nora Drake	Music	News: Matinee
2:30	Life Beautiful	Brighter Day	" "	McGuire
2:45	Road of Life	David Harum	" "	" "
3:00	Pepper Young	Hilltop House	" "	" "
3:15	Right to Happiness	For Women Only	" "	" "
3:30	" "	Craig's Stewart	" "	" "
3:45	Back Stage Wife	Music	" "	" "
4:00	Stella Dallas	Protective	" "	" "
4:15	Lorenzo Jones	League	" "	" "
4:30	Widder Brown	" "	" "	" "
4:45	" "	" "	" "	" "
5:00	Mr. Marries	Hold the Phone	" "	" "
5:15	Portia Blake	S. American Way	" "	" "
5:30	Just Plain Bill	Arthur Godfrey	" "	" "
5:45	Dave Farrall	Curt Massey	" "	" "

EVENING

6	06 :00 :15 :30 :45	News: Talk All Detectives Weather or Not News	News Sports: Weather Mike Mysteries Lowell Thomas	Magic Lady Sports Singer Sam Spotlight	Uncle Wip Tello-Test News: Sports Ray Bloch		
	7	06 :15 :30 :45	Light Up Time News Michael Shayne Detective	Beniah Jack Smith Club 15 News	Malise The Lone Ranger Cowboy Drama	Unseen Advisor News Gabriel Heatter Mystery	
		8	06 :15 :30 :45	This Is Your Life The Great Gildersleeve	Mr. Chameleon Dr. Christian	Dr. I. Q. Casebook of Gregory Hood	Musquiz International Airport
			9	06 :15 :30 :45	Break the Bank Show Mr. District Attorney	Groucho Marx Show Bing Crosby	Sherlock Holmes Buzz Adam's Playroom
10				06 :15 :30 :45	The Big Story News Curtain Time	Burns and Allen Boston Blackie	Crime Does Not Pay Claude Thornhill
	11			06 :15 :30 :45	News Tom Rodgers Show	News Analysis Powers Gourand Stay Up With Sears	News: Weather Music News
		12 p.m.		News	News	Sports and News	Bandwagon

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Time	Channel No.	Program	Time	Channel No.	Program
12:30 P. M.	6	Headline Clues	7:30 P. M.	3	Open House
12:30 P. M.	6	Rumpus Room	7:30 P. M.	10	Strictly for Laughs
1:00 P. M.	10	Cinderella Weekend	7:15 P. M.	6	Newsweek
1:00 P. M.	6	Interview	7:15 P. M.	10	Music
1:30 P. M.	10	On Chestnut Street	7:25 P. M.	6	Weather
2:00 P. M.	6	Shoppers Matinee	7:30 P. M.	6	Town Topics
2:30 P. M.	3	Tune Time	7:30 P. M.	3	Roberta Quinlan
3:00 P. M.	3	Cooking Program	7:45 P. M.	6	Easy Aces
3:45 P. M.	3	You at Home	7:45 P. M.	10	At Home Party
4:00 P. M.	6	TV Telephone Exchange	7:45 P. M.	3	News
4:30 P. M.	10	Homemakers Exchange	8:00 P. M.	6	A Couple of Joes
4:30 P. M.	3	Place Music	8:00 P. M.	10	Arthur Godfrey
4:30 P. M.	10	Vanity Fair	8:00 P. M.	3	Believe It or Not
4:30 P. M.	3	Variety Show	8:30 P. M.	3	"The Clock"
5:00 P. M.	10	Ted Steele	9:00 P. M.	10	Albany Burrows
5:15 P. M.	3	Judy Splinters	9:00 P. M.	3	Play
5:30 P. M.	3	Howdy Duddy	9:30 P. M.	6	The Wonderful Guy
5:30 P. M.	6	Wittu Ranch	9:30 P. M.	10	Top Ten Champ
5:15 P. M.	10	Lucky Pup	9:30 P. M.	6	Sports
5:30 P. M.	10	Take Ten	9:30 P. M.	6	Wrestling from Chicago
6:00 P. M.	3	Frontier Playhouse	10:00 P. M.	10	Break the Bank
6:30 P. M.	10	Sports World	10:00 P. M.	10	Boxing
6:30 P. M.	6	Magie Cottage	10:30 P. M.	3	Carol Callings
6:45 P. M.	10	News: Weather	11:30 P. M.	10	News
7:00 P. M.	6	Sports	12:00 P. M.	6	TV News

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A duffer from Westchester agreed to make a fourth in a golf game at Jasper National Park. On the first tee he took a violent rifle, and missed the ball completely. With rare presence of mind, he turned to his host and remarked, "It's obvious that this course is built about two inches lower than my home layout. Somebody might have told me!"

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The wonderer had come home. Grandma, unpacking his clothes, asked the usual questions: Had he been a good boy? Had he read the Bible regularly which she had packed for him when he went away? "Oh, sure, Grandma," said the returned prodigal. "Almost every night."

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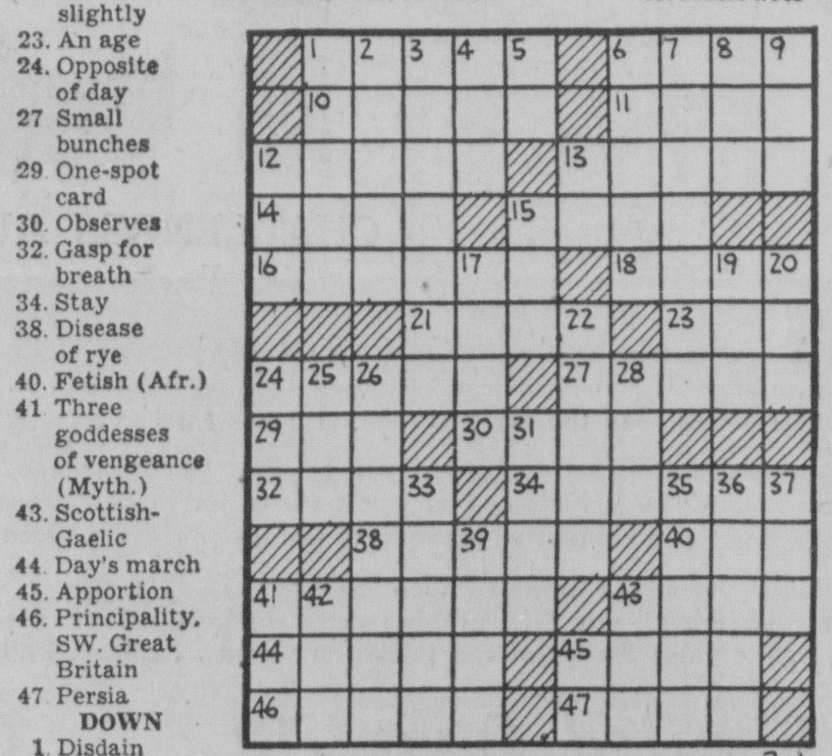
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ACROSS	DOWN
1. More rational	1. Seaweeds
2. Night before holiday	2. Feed
3. A spice of the myrtle	3. Bitter
4. Attractive	4. Chases
5. Rascal	5. American
6. Marshall	6. Indian
7. Sandarac tree	7. Ruler of Tunisia
8. Central line of a body	8. Large roof-hewing tool of slate
9. Metamorphic rock	9. Viper
10. Nobleman	10. Perches
11. Tastes slightly	11. A hill (Taal)
12. An age	12. Half ems
13. Opposite of day	13. A confection
14. Small bunches	14. Short sleep
15. One-spot card	15. River (So. Am.)
16. Observes	16. Widespread
17. Gasps for breath	17. Doctrine
18. Stay	18. God of love (Gr.)
19. Disease of rye	19. Worthless stuff (slang)
20. Fetish (Afr.)	20. Large artery of heart
21. Three goddesses of vengeance (Myth.)	21. Norwegian writer
22. Scottish-Gaelic	22. Born
23. Day's march	23. Turns to the right
24. Apportion	24. Not many
25. Principality, SW. Great Britain	25. Eye in symbolism
26. Persia	26. Ever (poet.)
27. Disdain	27. Music note

Yesterday's Answer
39. Turns to the right
41. Not many
42. Eye in symbolism
43. Ever (poet.)
45. Music note



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BFT ZFMVCPM JCPKM-NCSSFE

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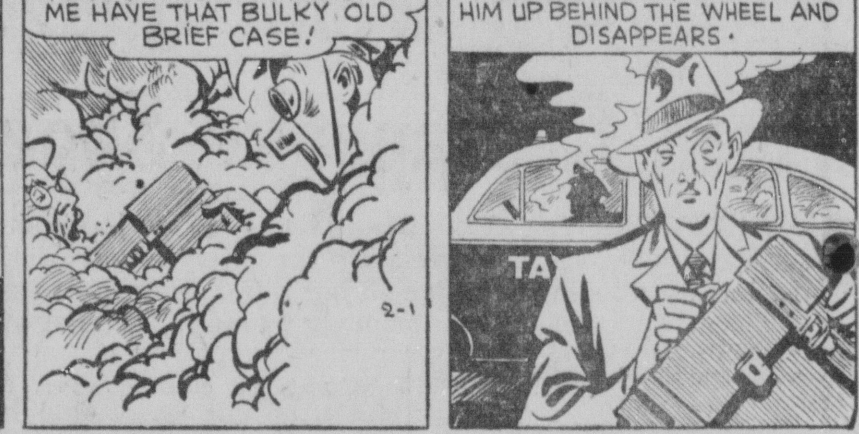
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Legion Post Will Hold Turkey Supper-Meeting

A turkey supper with all the trimmings will be the highlight of the meeting tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock of the Charles B. Yerger Post #71, American Legion at the Legion home.

The supper will be prepared by "Bill" Coleman and "Pete" Reppert who anticipate a record turnout. A small charge of twenty-five cents is the fee to all members.

Senior Vice Commander Elwood Romich will be in charge of the meeting.

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Troop 12 Girl Scouts, Gilbertsville, at 7 p. m. in Gilbertsville Fire hall.

Troop 85 Brownies, at 4 p. m. in the social room of Reformed church.

Fire Company Contributes \$100 to March of Dimes
Members of the Keystone Fire company at their recent meeting voted to contribute \$100. for the local March of Dimes drive.

During the meeting, 40 new members were admitted and 39 applications were received, to be voted on at the next month's meeting.

Daniel W. Moyer, president, was in charge.

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A buffet luncheon was served and the playing of games and cards enjoyed. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haas, of Reading; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Groff, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph DeTurk, Mr. and Mrs. John Gilles, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stauffer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Krause, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sterling Keller, all of Boyertown; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Engel, of Pottstown, and the host and hostess.

Troop 83 Scouts Hold Round Table Discussion

At the meeting of Girl Scouts of Troop 83, held in the Odd Fellows hall, Miss Mary Lechthaler taught the playing of games and singing of songs. She also led the group in a round table discussion on "What Scouting Means to Me."

Mrs. Michael Krysa gave a lesson

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POS of A Observes Ex-Presidents' Night; Former Officers Make Brief Remarks

Past President's night was observed at the meeting of Camp 104, POS of A, held in the lodge room of the Keystone Fire company.

William Davidheiser, president, appointed Past President William Coleman, to conduct the special meeting. Coleman in turn appointed Russell Geiger as president and he served the chair for the meeting.

Davidheiser also appointed the following officers to be filled for the session from the group of 27 past presidents attending:

Vice president, Walter Yerger; master of forms, LeRoy Erb; conductor, Royden Houck; inspector, Clifford Losh, and guard, Russell Mathias.

In addition to the past presidents, 89 other members were on hand. Remarks were made by all past officers.

The committee in charge of the meeting consisted of Lawrence Miller, Ralph Werstler and Calvin Yoh. At the conclusion of the meeting, the past presidents played the members in a two series dart baseball game. Each side won one game.

Refreshments were served by the camp cook, William Reifsnnyder Sr.

Woman, 77, Honored At Party on Birthday

Mrs. Alice B. Miller was entertained at a surprise party in honor of her 77th birthday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Yoder, of Gilbertsville.

A turkey dinner was served and a large decorated birthday cake graced the center of the table. Mrs. Miller also received many beautiful gifts.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. William Erb, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Erb, Mrs. Tammy Mest, all of Boyertown; Mrs. Morris Frick, of Pottstown; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Elst, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Diehl, all of Gilbertsville; the guest of honor, and the host and hostess.

Mrs. Miller is the mother of Mrs. William Erb and of Mrs. William Yoder.

of instruction on bookbinding. The girls fingerpainted covers for the books. They will continue their work at the next meeting.

The meeting closed with the friendship circle and taps.

Attending were: Misses Doris Spohn, Linnette Ott, Dolores Guldin, Marlene Webster, Marjorie Barr, Marjorie Miller, Carol Ann Mutter, Margaret Koons, Sandra Briel, Sue Ann Lash and Marcia Krysa.

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Both injured when his car crashed, Lyle Mulhall comforts Billie Ruth Jackson, his girl friend, in a Los Angeles hospital. Mulhall battled attendants to get to the girl's side. He was later dragged away and strapped down. Police booked him on suspicion of drunken driving.

Troop 72, Girl Scouts Prepare for Promotions

Tenderfoot members of Girl Scout Troop 72, Colebrookdale, preparing for their second class badges are: Gail Neiman, Shirley Frain, Joanne Fritz and Rochelle Leach. Studying their Tenderfoot requirements are: Grace Weller, Fern Dunkelberger, Esther Wade, Diane Strasser and Betty Gresh.

Plans were made for future meetings and a PTA program. The leader of the troop, Mrs. Esther Stauffer and assistant leader, Mrs. Henrietta Leach, were present. Miss Joanne Fritz, troop president, was in charge.

During the past week, a movie showing how to build a fire properly and entitled, "Frying Pan in the Fire," was shown by Mrs. Stauffer at her home.

India Repeats Neutrality In East-West Cold War

NEW DELHI, India, Jan. 31 (AP)—President Rajendra Prasad opened the Indian republic's first session of Parliament today with a reiteration of the nation's neutrality in the east-west cold war.

The Government's policy, he told the legislators, is "directed toward securing peace in the world and avoiding any alignment which leads to hostilities with any nation."



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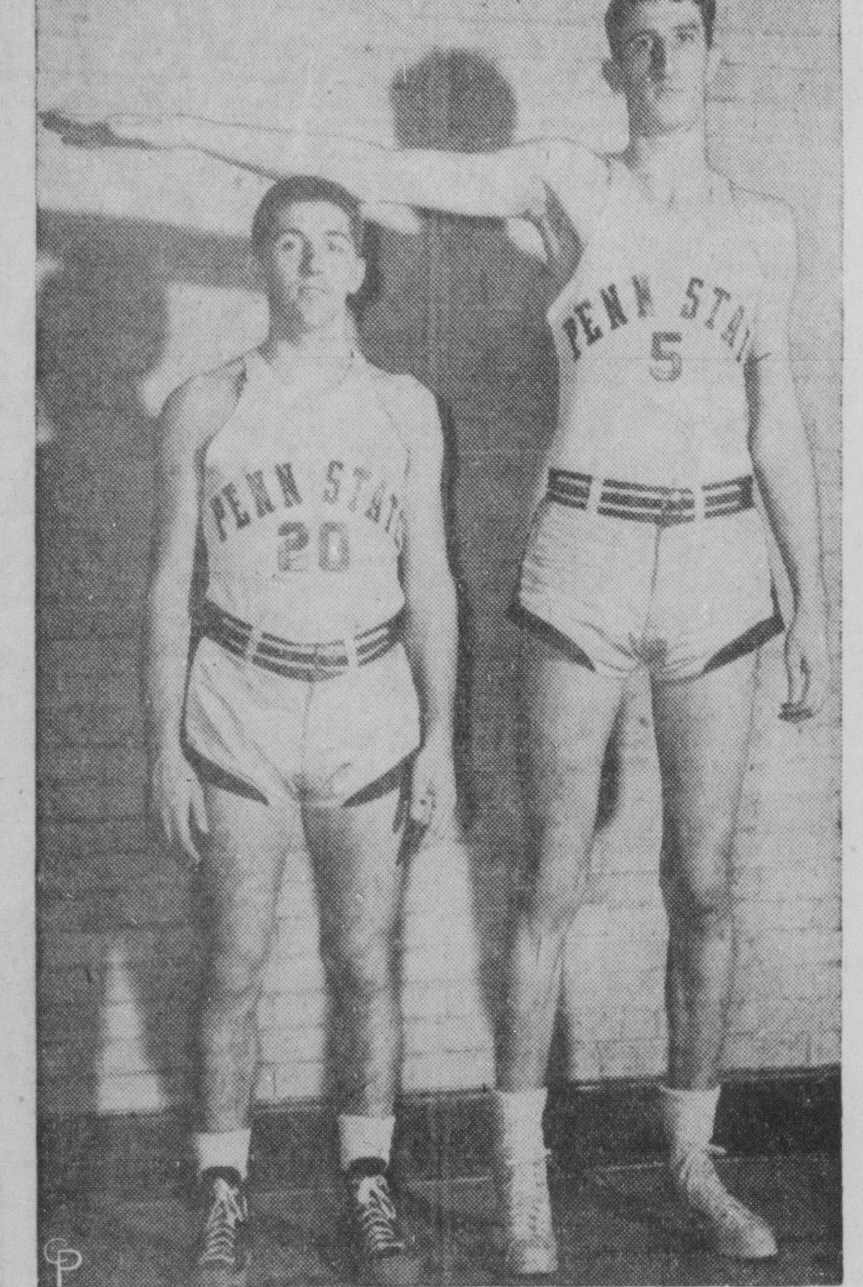
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Long and Short of Lions



An object of derision because of his size when he showed up on the Penn State College campus two years ago, Marty Costa (right) now shares the spotlight with the cage team's midsize ace, Joe Tocci (left). Costa, leading scorer, is six-six and Tocci stands five-seven.

Warwick Romps, 77-54 Over West Pottsgrove

Bill Baver had his peepsights working last night as he tossed in 38 points to lead his unbeaten Warwick High cagers to a 77-54 victory over an outclassed West Pottsgrove High team at Warwick.

It was the second win over the Falcons this year for Warwick, and 11th overall conquest.

Baver connected 16 times from the field and four times in the keyhole. He was literally unstoppable as he bulged his all-time scoring mark at Warwick.

The winners were far out front all the way. They led, 20-7, at the quarter and 37-13 at halftime. By three-quarter tide, they were in the slot by 56-22, but West Pottsgrove finished in an amazing 32-point push.

Zubic Retains EBL Point Lead

Although an injured hand idled him for one game last week, Bill Zubic, the Lancaster Rockets' shooting star, continues to set the scoring pace in the Eastern Professional Basketball League with 333 points in 16 games.

Ed Lerner, of Sunbury, has taken over the runnerup spot with 306 tallies while Norman (Pappy) Butz, of Reading, represents the league's only other 300-marksmen with 304 markers.

Art Lentz, of York, and Joe Cackovic, of Harrisburg, round out the top five league gunners with 296 and 286 points, respectively.

Four more all-time Eastern League records went the way of all things last week. The Reading Rangers rolled up 112 points on Sunbury to erase the former one-game standard of 110 digits, registered by Williamsport against York, on January 12, 1949.

In this same game the two teams bucketed 85 field goals—47 by Reading and 38 by Sunbury—to account for the second new standard. The previous record was 83, set the previous week by Reading and York. The 210 points by the two teams—112 for Reading and 98 for Sunbury—bettered by three tallies the old record of 207, set by Reading-Sunbury a year ago and Reading-York the past January 22.

The fourth all-time record to go was 26 consecutive foul conversions by Pottsville's surging Packers against Sunbury, at Pottsville, on Jan. 26. In that contest Pottsville made good on 26 of 30 tries from the penalty stripe.

Fifteen sharpshooters have registered 200 or more points, as follows:

G.	F.	Fl.	Pts.
Bill Zubic, Lancaster	16	118	333
Ed Lerner, Sunbury	16	118	306
Norm Butz, Reading	17	123	304
Art Lentz, York	14	113	296
Joe Cackovic, Harrisburg	16	107	296
Jack McCloskey, Pottsville	15	108	296
Joe Lord, Reading	16	106	286
Frank Martello, Sunbury	16	93	240
Russ Guensch, Reading	14	95	235
Red Powers, Williamsport	14	87	218
Dick Adair, Lancaster	17	95	215
Jimmy Joyce, Lancaster	17	88	209
Ned Hall, Harrisburg	16	93	208
Jack Gordon, Lancaster	17	68	207
Perk Staley, Williamsport	14	73	206
Dewey Boltz, Reading	16	85	200

Softball Umpires To Hold Meeting

A meeting for umpires of the area interested in officiating at Amateur Softball association games this year will be held Sunday afternoon in Coatesville.

County Commissioner Joe Koren, who handles girls softball games in the area, has called the meeting. It will take place at the Coatesville A.A. 117 Harmony street at 2 o'clock.

Trojans Beaten in Last Heat of Foul-Filled Mix

The Trojans did a Wilt-Gehrmann with Bethlehem High right to the wire last night, but the Hurricanes breezed by to take a hard-earned 59-55 victory in an exhibition court tussle at the Junior High.

Bethlehem called up a more mellow stag line to keep the flame fanned after a night of 43 fouls began to take toll in assorted plays. But there were times when the chances of either team were worth less than a confederate nickel.

Tempers flared in the throbbing final minutes of the fray when Paul Dittenhofer wrapped an arm around Bethlehem's Dick Lawrence. The offense came up swinging and players melted together before order was restored. The final 30 seconds were played off peacefully enough, though.

For PHS' stubborn juniors the loss was No. 7 in a stiff 13-game run and for Bethlehem's East Penn platoon, it was the tenth win in 16 tries.

With Dick Ricketts, the sharp splinter, the Trojans looked like a dead-catch winner. Sans Ricketts—and he went the way of fouls very early in the third heat—they were a befuddled bunch, making it warm on instinct alone.

Ricketts had slipped away midway in the second period when his violation hash marks reached four. He turned in the third heat to loft in two straight beauts in two minutes and then drew his heave-to foul. At the time, the Trojans held a 37-29 bulge and were running fresh.

A minute later the visiting Bethlehemians were busy stringing together a 12-point run that netted them a 42-39 lead. And except for brief moments in the fourth heat, never were behind.

The Hurricane was a winner from the three minute gong on. It had wrested away Pottstown's last lead when Dick Chuday pushed one in from the circle to make it Bethlehem, 54-53. Bob Lasko stitched on a foul fling and at the automatic timeout, the Bees were in, 55-53.

They rammed home their victory on four more free completions after the Trojans began to catch whistle-fire from the refs.

PHS Jayvees Lose 41-33

Pottstown High's jayvees were handed their fifth loss in 13 games last night when Bethlehem's lanky jayvees came from behind to win, 41-33, at the Junior High.

The young Trojans, sparked by Carl Frederick and Dick Powell, led 10-8 at the quarter and 17-13 at halftime. But a 17-point third quarter burst, salted away the nod for the visitors.

It was Bethlehem's 11th win in a dozen games.

Frederick had ten points to lead PHS, while Albanese's 13 paced the winners.

Bethlehem JV	Pottstown JV
Albanese, f. 13	Hallman, f. 13
Kurisko, f. 10	Madala, f. 10
Rodgers, f. 3	Wetzel, f. 1
Durkop, c. 5	Chaplin, f. 1
Buttenberg, f. 1	Michalski, f. 1
Vrescic, c. 0	Frederick, f. 2
McGovern, c. 0	Powell, f. 3
John, f. 1	
Hoyda, f. 1	
Totals 18 54	Totals 10 33

Score by periods: Bethlehem JV 8 17 11-41 Pottstown JV 10 7 8-33

Alumni Tops Bears 48-34

Boyetown High's Alumni tacked on a 23-point last quarter last night to upend the current Bear brood, 48-34, in a cage match in Boyetown that was a thriller until that chapter.

Jake Hartline, ace marksman of the Grads, racked up ten points alone in the closing rush to guide his team to victory. He finished with a dozen points though he played comparatively little of the game.

The Bears led by 12-9 after a low-scoring first half. But they could not hold on when the Grads brought on reinforcements.

The Alumni took a 25-23 three quarter lead and held it.

Gene Rothenberger paced the Bears with 11 points, while high-scoring Os Koons was handcuffed to a single field goal.

THE BOYETOWN jayvees dumped the Grads seconds, 23-21, in a close opener. Curt Meyer was the big noise with ten points. Dick Brannan had eight for the Alumni.

Alumni	Boyetown
Rothenberger, f. 12	Koons, f. 10
Grimm, f. 10	Evans, f. 10
Mozat, f. 2	Roberts, f. 4
Hartline, f. 6	Houck, c. 3
Johnson, f. 1	Greash, f. 1
Hoffman, c. 4	Maackey, f. 1
Smith, c. 2	Eddin's, f. 3
Fritzman, c. 0	Stoudt, c. 0
Neiman, f. 2	
Horn, c. 0	
Totals 21 64	Totals 9 34

Score by periods: Alumni 6 16 23-48 Boyetown 9 7 11-34

Referee—Brannan and Hydock.

Alumni JV	Boyetown JV
Zajak, f. 1	Wentler, f. 1
Burns, f. 0	Schanley, f. 0
Oable, f. 0	Tim, f. 0
Scott, f. 2	Meyer, f. 4
Stanhardt, c. 1	Body, f. 0
Brannan, c. 3	Baus, c. 1
F. Koons, f. 1	Gasser, c. 0
Clemen, c. 0	Brooke, c. 0
Yergey, f. 1	
Grabber, c. 0	
H. Eddin's, f. 1	
Barr, c. 0	
Bender, c. 0	
Totals 8 32	Totals 7 23

Score by periods: Alumni JV 2 6 10-22 Boyetown JV 6 4 10-33

TODAY'S SPORTS

SCHOLASTIC BASKETBALL

Pottstown Jr. High vs. West Chester Jr. High, at the Junior High school, two games starting at 7:30.

The Hill varsity vs. Haverford Township High, in Gillison Memorial gym, game starts at 3:15.

The Hill jayvees vs. Royersford High, at the Hill, game starts at 4:30.

PREP SCHOOL WRESTLING

The Hill jayvees vs. Perkiomen Prep, at the Hill, match starts at 3:30.

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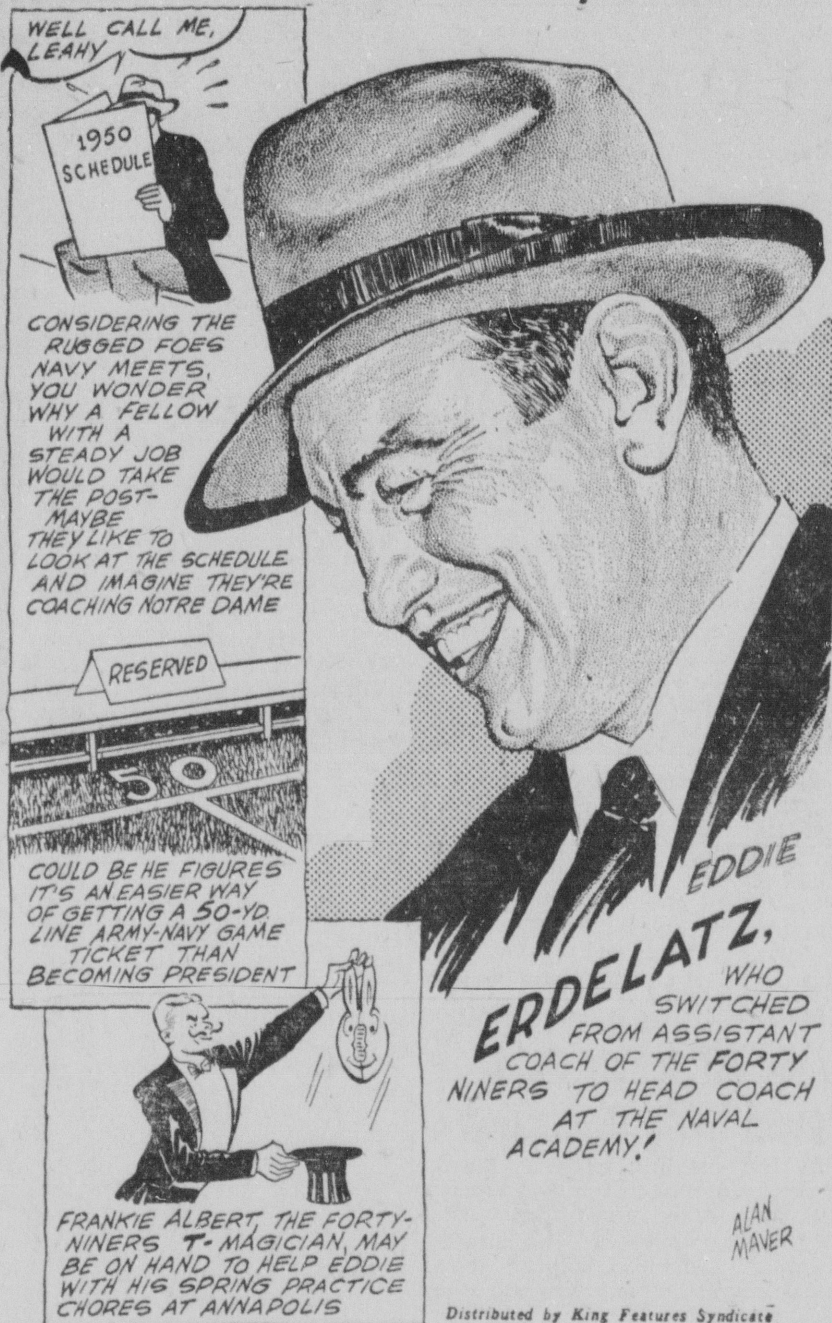
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SC Wins Borough Tiff, Trims Forders 51-34

Spring City High worked its way out front early in the game and stayed there last night to hand neighboring Royersford a 51-34 crushing on the SC court.

It was the second time this season the Pirates have jarred Coach Casimir Hill's Perkiomen Forders, and was SC's eighth win against only three losses.

For the losers, it was the fifth loss in nine games.

Jim Hallman and Paul Neborak, who generally guide the Pirate raids, were at it again. The former flipped in seven fielders and three fouls for 17 points, while Neborak was accounting for another 13.

Ahead by 10-4 at the quarter, the Pirates never let up. They put on a 19-point closing canto to make a cake walk of the affair. Bob Faust rolled in 15 points for the losers, nine of them on free throws. Bill Judge had five fielders and 13 points, but the other Forders were virtually ineffective.

IT WAS A PIRATE sweep as the home fledglings rolled out a narrow 20-17 win after repulsing a late Eagle rally.

Fegely's Trips Warwick 73-66

Fegely's handed the Warwick Stags their second loss of the year Monday night in Warwick when it walked off with a 73-66 verdict.

Fields and Bauer with 18 points apiece led the winners, but bowed to Warwick's Jake Pegler, who flipped in 24 points.

Fegely's	Warwick Stags
Leighton, f. 10	Pegler, f. 12
McClintock, f. 6	Painter, f. 11
Bauer, c. 8	M. Steltz, f. 5
Skarbel, c. 3	Sirock, c. 3
Fields, g. 9	Wynn, c. 2
H. Painter, f. 1	
Faviner, c. 4	
H. Steltz, c. 2	
Totals 33 73	Totals 29 66

Score by periods: Fegely's 25 16 16-73 Warwick 18 14 26-66

Referee—J. Fisher, Timer—Read, Scorer—Wunderlich.

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ERIE, Jan. 31 (P)—A schoolboy "Sanity Code" that is winning national recognition keeps relations sweet and pure between the public and parochial schools in this northwestern Pennsylvania city.

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Phenoms May Unveil New Attack Tonight

Junior High's Golden Cubs put the finishing touches on a new offensive pattern yesterday afternoon as they prepped for West Chester Junior High's invasion tonight.

They may unveil the attack tonight, Coach Gene Kauler said, depending upon the defense employed by the visitors.

The Cubs, while compiling their brilliant 7-1 record have run into every imaginable barrier. They have seen zones, man-for-man plans and variations of the two. Last time tonight's antagonists met, the WC team used both standard defenses to little avail.

If West Chester sticks with the man system this trip, the Cubs will go into their new act. It's called "ring around the rosie," simply because it has no other title.

When set up, it features masterful Dave Ricketts, JHS center, as "rosie." Ricketts takes up a normal pivot station, while his four mates whirl about him in small, quick circles. When the time is ripe, a pass is fed to Dave.

He either passes off to a breaking mate or turns and fires his specialty, the jump-shot.

The attack differs from the run-of-the-mine weave setup in that no single player crosses the full width of the court. Each man moves in his own small circle and around Dave until the whole effect is dizzying.

At least that is the desired effect upon the foe. The play can transcend ordinary switching tactics and bewilder the average defender unless he is strictly on his toes.

In the event West Chester shifts into the zone defense—that system helped Coatesville nick the Cubs last week—Kauler's kids will depend upon rapid-fire passing and occasional deep set pecks. They can do that, too, and with Fred Harvey, Harry Leh and Mike Krickzy sniping are tough to stop.

Carl Stahl will be back at a forward slot for the third straight time after he replaced Jim Price a week ago. Price, however, very likely will get back in action next week.

It will be the first night game of the year for the Cubs who originally had a full matinee card. This game was moved from yesterday to appease the many fans who have been clamoring for a chance to see the Phenoms in action.

Another night game, against Reading Central Catholic frosh, has been carded for Feb. 10 at home. Faculty Manager Spence Lessig said yesterday.

A jayvee preliminary will begin at 7:30.

Malvern Juniors Whip SC, 28-11

Malvern Junior High trimmed Spring City Junior High, 28-11, in a one-sided cage test at Malvern yesterday.

The winners, paced by Paul Stackhouse and Bill Trego, led all the way.

Spring City Jr. High Malvern Jr. High

Spring City Jr. High	Malvern Jr. High
Gausler, f. 9	Snyder, f. 3
Wardle, f. 0	Stackhouse, f. 3
Newman, f. 1	Leches, f. 0
Beard, c. 0	Trego, c. 4
Bainbridge, c. 0	Thatcher, c. 3
Fox, g. 2	Incins, g. 0
Edwards, g. 0	
Krepps, c. 0	
Totals 4 31	Totals 13 28

Score by periods: Spring City Jr. High 2 2 5-11 Malvern Jr. High 6 4 10-28

FRANCHISE APPROVED STROUDSBURG, Jan. 31 (P)

The seven clubs in the North Atlantic baseball league today approved the franchise of the Bangor club, recently transferred from Easton.

Two years ago there were 12 husbands on the University of Delaware football squad, six of them fathers. This season, only Quarterback Charley Smith is married.

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Mikan Named Top Cager of Period

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 31 (AP)—Honored and appreciative. That's the reaction of George Mikan to world that he had been named as the greatest basketball player of the last 50 years.

Mikan was chosen in the Associated Press' mid-century poll, in which sports writers and broadcasters all over the country participated. Mikan received 139 of the 380 votes cast. Hank Luisetti, Stanford star of 13 years ago, was runnerup with 123 votes.

"Well, that's very nice," Mikan said. "Naturally, I'm very pleased that so many people think I'm that good. I appreciate it very much. It's a real honor."

Word of his selection came to Mikan at his home in Minneapolis.

The present-day Mikan presents a far different picture from the awkward youth of

eight years ago. He carries his 240 pounds well distributed over his six-foot, ten-inch frame and moves with ease and grace. His heavy-rimmed glasses give him a studious air that is broken easily and often by an engaging grin and an occasional hearty laugh.

While he takes his professional basketball career very seriously, Mike has not allowed it to crowd out all other interests. In the off-season he likes sports generally, but golf particularly. His taste for classical and semi-classical music was whetted by his studies at DePaul.

His height plays an important part in the scoring records he has been able to make. He explained it this way:

"Going down the floor with Vern Mikkelsen (six foot, seven inch former Hamline university star) we can control the rebounds much of the time, and we get a lot of rebound shots

and tip-ins. One of us generally can get it and it's been my luck to be able to get most of them."

Mikan's ability to "get most of them" has brought him a 300-point leadership in the scoring records of the NBA. He has counted 1307 points on 452 field goals and 403 fouls. He also holds almost every individual scoring record.

Mikan intends to play professional basketball as long as he is able to do a good job.

When the time comes for him to step out of the game, he will be prepared. He holds a law degree from DePaul university and is licensed to practice law in Illinois. He said he plans to take the Minnesota bar examinations in June, and then "I'll have to try to get a practice going."

He and Mrs. Mikan, the former Patricia Lu Daveny, of Chicago, plan to remain in Minneapolis. They have been married three years.

Win Smiles for Ski Victors



Four top winners in the International ski jump at Lake Placid, N. Y., Jan. 29—preview of world championships scheduled for the following days—talk things over after the competition. Left to right are: Art Devlin, of Lake Placid (fourth); Christian Mohn, Norwegian student at Middlebury (Vt.) College (first); Arnfinn Bergman of Norway (second); and Merrill Barber, of Brattleboro, Vt. (third).

World Ski Meet Set Today On Lake Placid Snow Run

LAKE PLACID, N. Y., Jan. 31 (AP)—Snow and even more confusion hit this Adirondack mountain village today but by night time there was some semblance of order with the combined jump of the world ski meet definitely set for tomorrow.

It was the third date picked for the event which will open the athletic competition in the 1950 championships of the Federation Internationale de Ski.

The ceremonial opening of the games' first appearance in the United States was held yesterday amid confusion, bickering, smoldering friction and some outright rebellion.

Most of the hard feelings were covered by the five-inch blanket of snow that made the FIS council revoke its early morning decree which moved all the cross country races to Rumford, Me.

Now only the 18-kilometer (11-mile) run is definitely scheduled for the Maine mill town. Sites and dates of the 50-kilometer (31-mile) marathon and the 40-kilometer (25-mile) relay are indefinite as FIS officials wait to see if the weatherman keeps his promise of more snow here.

Harold Leslie, secretary of the Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce, asked "Can you make weather?" When Sven Johansson of Stockholm's Dagen Nyheter had cabled home that the "commercial" organization had sat with hands in lap since last Thursday waiting for a miracle of white.

The Swedish cross country runners and combined jumpers, virtually pushed the FIS executive committee into its Rumford announcement by leaving Lake Placid for Maine after lunch yesterday. The Swedes protested the icy 65-meter intervals slide was too slick for jumps and that there was no snow.

Now the jumpers must return here by tomorrow at 1:30 p. m., and then hustle back to Maine for the 18-kilometer on Friday.

Twenty-four skiers will compete in the combined jump, first half of a two-part event that is expected to be won by either a Finn or a Swede. The contestants also must run in the 18-kilometer Friday and their placings then will be averaged to determine their ultimate finish.

Among the starters is the trio which grabbed the top three places in the 1948 Olympics at St. Moritz, Switzerland. Jekki Hasu of Finland, was first; his teammate Martti Huhtala was second and Sven Israelsson of Sweden, third in the Olympics.

The Americans bank on Crosby Perry-Smith of Gunnison, Colo., to rank in the jump tomorrow but have little hopes for high two-event placing.

Nebraska Coach in Line For Pitt Football Post

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 31 (AP)—Capt. Thomas J. Hamilton, University of Pittsburgh athletic director, returning from an air trip to Chicago, said tonight he had discussed the Pitt football coaching job with Nebraska Coach Biff Glassford.

"Nothing is definite," declared Hamilton. "I intend to follow our original plan and 'screen' other men under consideration for the position before a decision is made."

Pitt is seeking a new mentor to replace Walter (Mike) Milligan, who quit recently rather than accept a one-year contract.

"As matters stand now, I don't want to tramp on anyone's toes," said Hamilton. "Most of the men under consideration hold other positions and we don't want to cause them undue embarrassment. Glass-

ford was the first man interviewed." Earlier, Frank Carver, Pitt's graduate athletic manager, had said "Glassford is one of the top candidates being considered, although not the only one."

He declined to name other coaches who are being given consideration.

Carver said Capt. Hamilton was the only Pitt official making the trip to Chicago.

"Glassford is now under a one-year contract to Nebraska," said Carver. "If he desires to come to Pitt and we were to invite him to come, it would be necessary for him to get a release from the school."

Glassford, a Pitt alumnus who is just rounding out his first year at Nebraska, went to that school from the University of New Hampshire. His salary at Nebraska is \$10,000 a year.

'HOT' HAVERFORDS TEST HILL QUINTET

By GARY TROLLINGER

The Hill varsity cagers meet one of their toughest matches of the season on the home floor, this afternoon, when they vie with a glittering Haverford High quint, current leaders in Section One.

The jayvee dribblers also see action this afternoon, meeting Royersford High's Eagles in a postlude to the varsity mix, while the reserve grapplers tangle with Perkiomen Prep on the home mats.

The visitors from Haverford are sporting a six-game win string in Section One competition, and are generally regarded as the team to beat not only in Section One, but in District One also.

The Blue varsity has yet to drop one in the friendly confines of Gillison Memorial gym with seven wins having been recorded over visiting foes.

However, things have been of a different nature when Coach Gus Weber's hoopers hit the road. They have yet to come out on the long end of a road test, losing two such tilts, the only losses suffered all season, in as many tries.

Weber will counter the Dick Heydum-sparked Fords with his favorite formula of Nixon, Dailey, Yonge, Webster and West, the quint that has opened every game this season for the local preppers.

THE HILL'S RESERVE basketballers will have Royersford's potent duo of Bobby Faust and Bill Judge to juggle about when the Eagles pay The Hill a visit this afternoon.

Faust has been one of the Perk loop's foremost scorers all season, but Judge seems to have found his eye in the past couple of games, and the two—a Mutt and Jeff combo—will bear watching.

The Hill jayvees were recently dropped from the ranks of the spottest record teams by Phoenixville High's reserves, after having run up an all-winning skein over four games.

On the other hand, the Fords show a four and five log for their efforts, with all four of the victories being salvaged out of the Perk loop heap.

THE VEIL WILL BE DRAWN off the jayvee grapplers this afternoon, with their opening match of the season carded against Perkiomen Prep's wrestlers.

The nine-man Hill lineup shows but one local lad in its midst, the chap referred to being Max Pearson in the 121 class.

The remainder of the listing has May, 128; Wenas, 133; Judd, 138; Backe, 145; Davidson, 155; Grunau, 165; Morrison, 175; and heavyweight, Reed. Most of the boys saw jayvee action last year.

The second-liners will be trying to avoid the fate met by their varsity mates, that is, dropping their opening dual joust of the season.

The varsity groaners lost to the West Chester Freshmen first thing, but have come on to win their past three matches, allowing their foes no more than 10 points in each instance.

RECORD LETTUCE

Bucs Lay 100 Grand On Line for Hurler

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 31 (AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates paid a record \$100,000 today for an 18-year-old southpaw pitcher fresh out of high school.

He is Paul Pettit, a strapping, six-feet-two, 205-pounder, who stopped chewing gum long enough to sign a contract that will bring him a small fortune, win or lose.

The \$100,000, of which Pettit gets the most, is believed to be the highest price ever paid a rookie untried in professional baseball.

The deal, an odd one with a bizarre Hollywood twist, was consummated

in a movie agent's swank office on the Sunset strip, with General Manager Roy Hamey of the Pittsburgh Pirates giving informal agreement that it was a hundred grand transaction.

Hamey said the \$100,000 figure was "a good guess" and added that Pettit, who just last Friday got his diploma from tiny Narbonne High school at nearby Lomita, will play for the Pirate-owned New Orleans club of the double-A Southern association.

The signing ended a scramble by several major league clubs known to be deeply interested in getting the fast-ball tossing athlete.

The cast in today's plot, in addition to Hamey, who "sneaked into town" last Saturday, included the boy himself, his father, a night watchman in Long Beach, a battery of attorneys and a film producer, Frederick Stephanie.

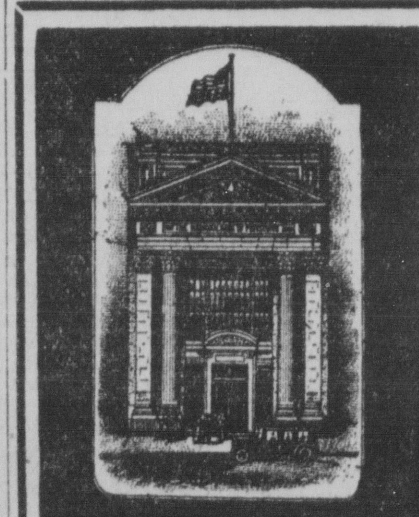
Stephanie said the baseball bugs on their collective ears recently when he signed Pettit to a film, radio and television contract. Major league scouts, by law, couldn't touch Pettit until after he had graduated from high school.

Stephanie had no such re-

LaSalle Court Coach May Need Surgery

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 31 (AP)—La Salle college's basketball team, ranked eighth in the nation, may be forced to finish the season without its regular coach.

It's still on a "maybe" basis—and team members and college athletic officials have their fingers crossed—but Coach Ken Loeffler has a displaced vertebrae that might require surgery within 30 days or less.



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Oldtimers Will See Series Film

Pictures of the 1949 World Series between the New York Yankees and the Brooklyn Dodgers will be an added feature at the Stowe Oldtimers' Banquet to be held Saturday, it was announced yesterday.

Films on all the games and their highlights will be shown, Ed McEvoy, director of publicity for the affair said.

It was also announced that Pop Kelchner, popular area scout for the St. Louis Cardinals, will be on hand for the affair. He'll take his place along with scores of celebrities of current and past baseball campaigns.

Jimmie Fox, the famous slugging double-X, has given assurance that he will be at the dinner, as will Randy Gumpert, Chicago White Sox, Carl Furillo, Brooklyn Dodgers, and many others.

Localite Jing Johnson, oldtime A's twirler and a master in the hot stove league, will deliver the main address.

Over 240 reservations were made before the committee closed out sales early last week. The affair will be held at the West End Fire hall.

LITTLE PROF SAYS

Yanks, Bosox, Tigers To Fight It Out in AL

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31 (AP)—The Yankees, Red Sox and Detroit to fight it out for the pennant this year. That's the way baseball's little professor, Dominic DiMaggio, sizes up the 1950 American League scramble.

It's a long range prediction and be-spectacled Dom concedes time and conditions may change before the big race gets under way. But, so far as he is concerned, the defending New Yorkers, his own Boston club and a Detroit team considerably strengthened, are the three who figure to offer the real competition.

Little Dom, who plays a giant-size centerfield for the Red Sox, delivered his observations at the San Francisco Seals Hot Stove league meeting today. The younger brother of Big Joe of the Yankees told his auditors:

"For two years now I've predicted Boston would win the pennant. Each time we lost in the last day or so. This time, I'm not going to put my team or myself on the spot. So I say I think it will be a three-way race. Maybe I privately think we will run first, but I'm not saying so for the record."

Lack of reserves and the need of a topnotch relief pitcher, in DiMaggio's opinion, cost the Red Sox the flag last year.

"Just give us a relief pitcher like Joe Page of the Yankees. With Page we would have won last year by ten or twelve games. He deserves more credit than any other player in the winning of the pennant. He beat us one night and struck out eight of us. I never saw anyone else with as much stuff as he had that night."

Reminded that his brother, Joe, put on an inspiring show in a late season series against Boston in his comeback from an operation, DiMaggio conceded the name DiMaggio was mixed up with the Yankee success.

About this time DiMaggio neatly parried the question as to the greatest hitter he ever saw with:

"Ted Williams of our club is the greatest left handed hitter and Joe DiMaggio is the best right handed hitter in my experience."

The Red Sox, Dom declared, would be bolstered if a couple of young pitchers come through, especially "Lefty" McDermott. He described McDermott as a fine prospect.

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85 Christian Endeavor Members Hear Coatesville Pastor, Fete 69th Anniversary

Eighty-five persons met in St. Matthews Lutheran church, West Vincent township, last night, as the North Branch, Christian Endeavor, celebrated the 69th anniversary of the founding of Christian Endeavor. They heard Dr. Hans Evans, pastor of the Coatesville Presbyterian church and county pastor councillor of Christian Endeavor, speak on "Look to the Rock from Whence You Are Hewn."

In his talk, he stressed the principles of Christian Endeavor—"Christ centered; open confession of Jesus Christ; loyalty to Christ's church, and fellowship with Christ's people."

H. Bert Shaw, president of the Pottstown Federation of Men's Bible Classes, was toastmaster.

COUNTY OFFICERS at the meeting were Miss Mildred March, stewardship superintendent; Miss Virginia Griffith, county newspaper editor, and Mrs. Warren Hoops Sr., wife of the State secretary.

Five pastors were introduced. They were the Revs. A. S. Alderfer, pastor of the Parkerford Church of the Brethren; Lewis W. Button, pastor of Pughtown Baptist; John Bixler, pastor of Pine Swamp Evangelical; John Sandiford, pastor of East Nantmeal Baptist, and Herbert Rice,

pastor of St. John's Reformed church, Phoenixville.

Ten churches were represented at the North Branch meeting. They were the Parkerford Brethren, Parkerford Baptist, Pughtown Baptist, St. John's Reformed of Phoenixville, East Nantmeal Baptist, Pine Swamp Evangelical, Nantmeal Methodist, Windsor Baptist, Hungarian Reformed of Phoenixville and Elverson Methodist.

Warren Hoops Jr. was the song leader, and Ernest Walker was in charge of the decorations and Christian Endeavor napkins.

Larry Bowman sang two solos, accompanied by Mrs. Jack Bowman at the piano.

William Banyacksky, North Branch president, introduced the other North Branch officers.

Announcements were made of the Spring county convention April 14-15 in the West Chester Presbyterian church, and of the State convention in York, July 6-8.

Retreat Members To Attend Dinner

Twenty representatives of the Pottstown Retreat association will attend the 27th annual Men of Malvern dinner to be held in Convention Hall, Philadelphia, at 6:15 o'clock tonight.

The group will attend the session to hear Governor James F. Duff, Senator Francis J. Myers, Mayor Bernard Samuel, and the Rev. James W. Gibbons, retreat master of St. Joseph's-In-The-Hills retreat house, Malvern, who will be guest speakers.

Attending from Pottstown will be the Rev. William N. Begley, rector of St. Aloysius Catholic church; Mr. and Mrs. John Ruyak, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Greytog, Carl L. Pickar, Anthony Confino, Richard Confino, Peter J. Grimm, Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Lawler, Biaggio Panfile, Frank Curtis, Paul L. Gatta,



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Father Withdraws Burglary Charge

A Pottstown man was free last night after being jailed Saturday, charged by his father with burglary and larceny, and then released Monday when charges were dropped.

The defendant was Lawrence Staub, 26, of 429 Water street. His father, Charles Staub, of Embreeville, Chester county, charged his son with entering his home through a second story window Saturday night and stealing \$25 worth of frozen meats and vegetables.

The son had been at the house earlier in the day. He left but then returned after the rest of the family departed on a visit, the father said.

The son was arrested in Pottstown Saturday night by State Police of the Coatesville barracks. After a hearing before Justice of the Peace George C. Taylor, Downingtown, he was lodged in Chester county jail, West Chester, in default of \$500 bail.

At a continued hearing Monday night, the father withdrew the charges and the son was released.

Trappers Must Sell Pelts Within Ten-Day Period

Pottstown area men and boys who caught muskrats and raccoons during the trapping season, which ended at noon yesterday, have only ten days in which to sell the furs, it was announced yesterday by Eugene Nelson, 338 King street, deputy game protector.

Nelson said that after Feb. 9, it will be unlawful for dealers to accept furs. The current price for muskrat pelts is \$1.40 to \$1.50, while a raccoon pelt brings about \$1.

Friday Is Deadline For Vets to Claim Mustering Out Pay

Friday will be the deadline for veterans of World War II to file claims for their mustering out pay, John D. O'Donnell, Veterans administration contact officer, announced yesterday.

All veterans who were discharged prior to Feb. 3, 1944, and who have not received their mustering out pay are eligible to receive the additional money, O'Donnell said.

He stressed that the claims are to be filed for mustering out pay, which amounted to \$300 for each veteran, and not for terminal leave pay which was based on the amount of unused furlough time amassed in service.

Veterans who were discharged after Feb. 3, 1944, received mustering out pay automatically, receiving \$100 the month they were discharged, and two \$100 payments in each of two succeeding months.

RECIPIENTS OF dishonorable discharges, even if they later received a review resulting in any discharge other than honorable, are not eligible to file mustering out claims.

Claims may be filed through the contact office in the YMCA, by writing directly to the nearest Army finance office, or by writing to the headquarters of the Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard in Washington, D. C.

Next of kin of veterans who died before receiving mustering out pay also can file claims for the money through the Veterans administration office.

O'Donnell said he discovered several veterans who had not received their money while helping them to file Pennsylvania state bonus applications.

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATE MADE
SYDNEY, Jan. 31 (AP)—Australia today has 108,728,000 sheep, according to the latest government estimate. There also are 14,121,000 cattle, 1,196,000 pigs, and 1,114,000 horses.



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OBITUARIES

ANDREW F. BROOKE, BETHLEHEM, son of a Pottstown burgess and former purchasing agent for the old McClintic-Marshall Construction company here, died early yesterday morning in St. Luke's hospital, Bethlehem, after an illness of two weeks.

Mr. Brooke had been in the purchasing department of Bethlehem Steel company's home office since 1931, after the McClintic-Marshall plant was taken over by Bethlehem. He retired three years ago.

Born in Pottstown, he was the son of the late Charles and Harriet (Heller) Brooke. His father was burgess of Pottstown from 1909 to 1913.

After being graduated from Pottstown High school, he went to work for the construction company here, eventually becoming its purchasing agent.

While on this job, he went to Panama Canal Zone to help direct the installation of canal locks, which were partially fabricated at McClintic-Marshall.

Among the group of Pottstown plant workers on this trip in 1915 were the late Stewart E. Underwood

and William S. Sterret, former manager of the plant.

Mr. Brooke was a member of Christ Episcopal church; Stichter Lodge 254, F & AM; Manatawny Lodge 214, IOOF, and Excelsior Encampment 85.

His only survivors are a half-sister, Miss Bessie W. Brooke, Philadelphia, and five cousins, Miss Martha Fenstermacher, 347 Chestnut street; Paul L. Brooke, 635 High street; Isaac Brooke, Sanatoga; William Brooke, Boyertown, and Charles Brooke, Lakewood, Ohio.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 711 North Franklin street. The Rev. George A. Liner, rector of Christ Episcopal church, will officiate, and interment will be made in Pottstown East End cemetery.

Retired Bachelor, 91, To Wed Working 'Girl'

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 31 (AP)—Stefano Caminiti, 91, a bachelor, and Isabella D'Alesio, 63, applied for

a marriage license in City hall today.

When informed that the license would be available Friday, after the customary three-day waiting period, Miss D'Alesio said to Caminiti:

"You'll have to get it—I'm working."

Miss D'Alesio listed her occupation as dressmaker. Caminiti said he is "retired."

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